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RE: MUR 4816

Dear Mr. Turley:

Enclosed is my response to the charges made against me by former congressional candidate Sarkis Joseph Khoury on August 25, 1998.

I am also requesting at this time for the matter to be made public

Sincerely,

R.M. "Cook" Barela

Enclosures

- 1. Summary
- 2. Exhibits
- 3. Response to Complaint

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS ____ DAY OF

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Riverside County
My Comm. Expires Nov 15, 1999

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SUMMARY RESPONSE TO CHARGES MADE BY S. JOSEPH KHOURY AGAINST THE COOK BARELA FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The following is the official response of R.M. Cook Barela to the FEC charges filed by Mr. Joseph Khoury on August 25, 1998.

RESPONSE FROM CAMPAIGN TREASURER

Mr. Carpolino has responded with the information pertaining to his responsibilities as the committee's campaign treasurer. (Exhibit 1).

KHOURY'S CHARGES

"The candidacy of Mr. Barela appears to have operated as the equivalent of an independent expenditure for the Calvert candidacy."

The Federal Election Commission, the State of California, and the office of the Riverside County Registrar of Voters all have on file my sworn statement and official declaration of candidacy as a verified candidate seeking the office of United States Representative, 43rd Congressional District.

My campaign was independent of Mr. Calvert's campaign. As such there was no cooperation, coordination, support or conspiracy between myself, members of my campaign committee, or Mr. Ken Calvert, his committee members or supporters. There is no truth to Mr. Khoury's complaint. He has provided no evidence that a violation of the Act has occurred.

History of intent to Serve in Congress, since 1988, (Exhibit 2).

KHOURY'S UNREPORTED IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

The Conservative Voice newsletter advertisement was an unreported in-kind contribution by that business to the Khoury campaign, or it operated as the equivalent of an independent expenditure for the Khoury candidacy (Exhibit 3).

Two full-page political advertisements published by The Conservative Voice and the Christian Times were paid for without campaign cost disclosure (Exhibit 4).

The California Republican Assembly (non-profit) mailer was paid for by the Khoury for Congress Campaign Committee. Was the CRA operating as the equivalent of an independent expenditure for the Khoury candidacy? (Exhibit 5)

Mr. Khoury's web page located at www.khoury1998.com does not declare who authorized or paid for the internet advertisement as required by FEC regulations 2 U.S.C. 441 d (a).

Both Mr. Khoury and Mr. Calvert received in kind contributions via shared newspaper political advertising costs from the Olive Grove Retirement Resort, a HUD federally funded housing facility (Exhibit 6).

NOT "INDEPENDENT" ACCORDING TO THE TECHNICAL DEFINITION

"The campaign was not "independent" according to the technical definition of the FEC."
"Barela issued literature attacking me and only me. No mention was ever made of Mr. Calvert although Mr. Calvert was and is the incumbent."

Khoury states I attacked him by citing "falsehoods, race, race baiting, and national origin."

Mr. Khoury further states claims made in the newspaper regarding his PAC funding was a "lie and was almost verbatim the same exact claim made by Mr. Calvert whose mailer was sent out about the same time containing the same theme and language."

ANSWER TO THESE CHARGES

As sworn to above, my campaign was independent of Calvert's campaign.

Khoury made statements that the campaign race was going to be very bloody. He was going to win at any cost. He was going to make it a racist contest. He had the support of some very influential individuals. A letter I sent Khoury on May 14, 1998 notes the racist agenda Mr. Khoury was developing at that time, and helps verify that the FEC racist charges he filed are without merit (Exhibit 7).

Khoury's comment to the press that I was involved in "trying to cover deep racial prejudice" reflects his first public attempt to bring me into the racist game he was playing (Exhibit 8).

The "American Homefront" mailer was designed to reveal that neither Calvert nor Khoury possessed the community service and experience I possessed (Exhibit 9).

I was not silent in issues of importance concerning Calvert, as Khoury charges. Either the press was not publishing my responses and inquiries or I was not being contacted for a comment before press stories were published. (Exhibit 10).

The "American Homefront" questioned Mr. Khoury's integrity, loyalty as well as expose the blatant lie he had made to the Hispanic voters in Riverside County that "There is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd Congressional District.". What was written is verifiable from official FEC records (Exhibit 11).

KHOURY'S ARAB PAC CONNECTIONS -ARE REAL

Dr. James Zogby has used the false and misleading charges Khoury submitted to the FEC, to label my campaign racist and Calvert surrogate. This proclamation places me and my family in a very dangerous situation and the Khoury/Zogby tag-team is well aware of what they are doing with these false charges. These charges must be dropped and must reflect an FEC investigation where they are declared unfounded and charges by Khoury totally dismissed. (Exhibit 12).

Federal Election Commission records show Mr. Khoury contributed \$922.00 to the "American Task Force for Lebanon Policy Council PAC. FEC records reveal Khoury's PAC funding has

been almost exclusively Arab PACs. FEC records show that Khoury did receive reported and unreported PAC funds in 1998. To date they have not been returned to those organizations (Exhibit 13).

Mr. Khoury charges that the issue was "more problematic when one considers the ethnicity of Mr. Barela who was desperately, or so he wanted us to believe, seeking Latino votes where the majority of the community is foreign born."

My commitment to my country is based upon my American heritage not on my ethnicity (Exhibit 2b).

Mr. Khoury knew that I was Hispanic and had qualified for the ballot. Yet he sent out a racist mailer stating that "There is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd Congressional District." (Exhibit 14).

I demanded an immediate apology and clarification to the voters from Khoury for that mailer. This was the second apology I had requested from Khoury that involved racist insults directed towards me by Khoury. (Exhibit 15).

RESPONSE TO SIMILAR LANGUAGE CHARGE. Perhaps I should have called the Calvert camp and charged them with plagiarism for having used information I provided to the press and the public without having given me proper credit as the source of those statements.

KHOURY'S TACTICAL LEVEL CHARGES that "there was also evidence of some coordination on the tactical level." When I called to see if Mr. Calvert would be in attendance at the debate, I was also informed that he was in Washington, but they believed Mr. Khoury would be in attendance. There is no truth to these charges.

CHARGE OF EXCESS CAMPAIGN FUNDING

Mr. Khoury submits as evidence to support a excess campaign contribution by my campaign, "The contribution of \$2,000 and the timing of the contribution are reasons to be suspect. Simple addition reveals only one \$1,000 campaign contribution. It is a duplicate of the contribution already reported on the itemized receipts that is summarized in the detailed summary report. These charges are totally false, but used by Khoury to submit what would not otherwise be an acceptable FEC complaint.

KHOURY'S QUESTIONABLE CAMPAIGN FUNDING -A SMOKING GUN

<u>Eighty Seven Percent</u> of Khoury's campaign contributors in this and in his past campaigns do not list an employer or occupation. a practice of Khoury since 1992. Khoury's failure to supply that information after repeated requests from the FEC does warrant a full FEC investigation. <u>FEC should initiate a complete audit and/or legal enforcement should begin with these blatant FEC violations.</u> (Exhibit 16)

RESPONSE TO JOSEPH KHOURY'S FIVE PAGE POLITICAL ESSAY

Submitted as background material for FEC consideration, I felt compelled to answer all these charges as well as those listed in Mr. Khoury's official complaint.

Khoury charges that "The committee to elect Cook Barela to Congress was "an integral part of elaborate multidimensional strategy of race baiting."

"Mr. Calvert," Khoury writes, "thought at the time that I was his only opponent despite the fact that Mr. Cook Barela, a Latino American, had already registered as a candidate."

If we take Khoury's statement as true, then how could my campaign be an independent expenditure of the Calvert candidacy, or be tactically involved with Calvert, as Khoury charges, when according to Khoury, Calvert did not know I was a registered candidate?

Mr. Khoury states, for Jewish leaders, "Mr. Barela was not considered an opponent."

Mr. Khoury fails to mention that in that letter these same Jewish leaders had written, "<u>His primary opponent</u>, Sarkis Khoury, just moved into the district." A primary opponent, means at least one other opponent.

Submitted are two letters supporting Khoury. Both excluded me as an opponent (Exhibit 17).

"Encouragement and support," received from "Mr. Galen Walker, the husband of Kathy Walker, a professed Khoury supporter, was a surprise to Khoury he charges.

Mr. Galen Walker is a good and trusted Christian friend. Mrs. Walker denied ever supporting Khoury. Her answer is included as (Exhibit 18).

ASSAULT ON DR. JAMES DOBSON'S ENDORSEMENT

Khoury assaulted my Christian faith, called me a liar, and questioned the integrity of Doctor James Dobson for his endorsement of my candidacy. Joe Khoury's campaign workers called, faxed letters and threatened to withdraw financial support of Dr. Dobson's ministries, for having endorsed my candidacy (Exhibit 19).

I have found similar patterns generated against others. When Anti-terrorist expert Steven Emerson was interviewed on the National Public Radio talk show, "Talk of the Nation," that interview was quickly condemned by Arab organizations that bombarded the station with calls and faxes. The verbal assault continued until the Chicago-based Arab American Action Network, was assured that there had been a "mistake" and "it won't happen again." Emerson soon found himself blacklisted, much like Khoury has attempted to do by calling for sanctions against me by the Republican Party. These cases are too similar to ignore (Exhibit 20).

Khoury continues to plea that there is no Zogby connection. "Mr. Barela, targeting only me and never the incumbent, failed to note that I am not a member of any Arab organization and have not accepted money from any organization. And, I had not asked any organization to intercede on my behalf in the aftermath of the Slevin comments. Those who responded did so on their own."

Zogby's "Call for Fairness & Inclusion, makes a fallacy of Khoury's statement (Exhibit 12).

Dr. James L. Zogby's Political Action Committees have donated funds to Khoury's campaigns. The complaint filed against me and my committee by Khoury can be found almost verbatim in a newspaper story written on June 23, 1998 by Dr. James J. Zogby for the Daily Star (exhibit 21).

REQUEST FOR CHARGES TO BE DISMISSED

Having read the charges, I am now asking the FEC that no action be taken against myself, my committee or campaign treasurer in this matter as there is absolutely no substance to the charges presented by Mr. Khoury. He offers no truth or credible evidence to substantiate his charges or in support of his conspiracy theory.

I ask that the evidence against Khoury that has been submitted in defense of those charges be investigated as they do support some very serious FEC Act violations by Mr. Sarkis Joseph Khoury, his treasurer, and his committees.

By submission of his essay to the FEC, Mr. Khoury has secured a foundation from which he and others may launch a concentrated effort to deceive the public further by lies and false charges of racism in America. If there is a conspiracy, it did not involve me or my committee. If there is a conspiracy, it is one that involves national and international associations. (Exhibit 22).

Respectfully submitted.

R.M. COOK BARELA

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With Malice Towards None

"I shall do nothing in malice, what I deal with is too vast for malicious needling" President Abraham Lincoln, 1862

The following is an excerpt from an E-mail message, received from an educator, author and highly decorated Vietnam veteran. His note was sent shortly after he had examined the campaign contribution summaries of Congressman Ken Calvert and Joe Khoury from official FEC records. The conclusions he drew on both candidates were surprisingly accurate. It wasn't until much later that I realized the insight he shared. The writer is a Native American.

TO: Cook Barela

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Date: May 04, 1998 9:08 AM

Subject: RE: Arab-American with Dual citizenship and Arab dollars in congressional race?

Dear Cookie:

These are my thoughts and you are welcome to submit them to any type media under my name or yours... since we think alike and love our country by the same sheet of music. I hope I have been of service to someone I respect a great deal.

Perhaps the greatest challenge to any elected leader is the need to "fairly" represent each member of their constituency. Congressional leaders are tasked to represent people from a certain demographical if not geographically defined body. Within these parameters, a broad spectrum of interest compete for dominance of political favor or power. Certain credence is given to the adage, "The Power in Numbers." Democracy operates upon the premise that the greatest number in agreement represents the greatest will of the people, embracing the sacred idea "By the people, for the people and of the people." Too often, polished politicians proffer up "collusions," secret agreements for a wrongful purpose, especially for the purpose of predation of others and defrauding others of rights and privilege. Those who collude join forces in secret to conspire to further the specific interest of a selected few, at the expense of many. In politics, the evidence of collusion always comes in a careful review of, from where the most avid supporters lend their support. In Mr. Khoury's case it is evident that "special interest" from the Middle-East has prompted a huge cash flow destined to buy this man of multiple citizenships a seat in the Congress of the United States."

Your Bro - MTF

From the CALIFORNIA JOURNAL An ANALYSIS OF THE 1998 CALIFORNIA PRIMARY RACES

HOT! CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 43

(Voter Registration: 39% D - 46% R) -- Democrat: Mike Rayburn of Riverside. Republicans: Incumbent Ken Calvert of Corona, Cook Barela of Riverside, Joe Khoury of Riverside. Green: Phill Courtney of Riverside. Natural Law: Annie Wallack of Riverside.

Just when incumbent Republican Ken Calvert thought he'd seen the last of Joe Khoury, here comes the UC finance professor once again to gum up Calvert's summer vacation. In 1992, Calvert and Khoury finished 1-2 in a field of seven candidates in a hard-fought GOP primary for what was then a new, open seat.

Two years later, the pair squared off by themselves, with by-then incumbent Calvert barely squeaking through with a 1000-vote victory out of 40,000 cast in the GOP primary. Khoury, a conservative, bashed Calvert over the incumbent having been caught with a self-described prostitute by Corona police. That campaign was expensive and nasty. But Khoury did not surface in 1996 as Calvert breezed to his third term. Now, he's back and always has had plenty of money to toss around a campaign. Not only that, but a third Republican -- retired police chaplain Cook Barela has joined the fray. Barela last surfaced in 1992 when he finished second in a four-man race to eventual winner Ted Weggeland in an area Assembly primary. Barela joins Khoury on the right of Calvert, which is not good news for Khoury because it should split the conservative vote. The pair may hold Calvert to under 50 percent of the GOP primary vote -- even in a blanket primary -- but neither likely will unseat him. The old personal issues used against Calvert with some success back in 1994 have mostly faded from view.

RESULTS

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United States Representative; District 43 (Basic info only)

Ken Calvert, Republican

31,818 votes 38.8% (55.6% in party) Expenditure \$422,005.37

Joe Khoury, Republican Expenditure \$311,955.00

19,765 votes 24.1% (34.5% in party)

R.M. Cook Barela, Republican Expenditure \$7,935.00

5,706 votes 6.9% (9.9% in party)

Mike Rayburn, Democratic 20,499 votes 25.0% (100.0% in party) Phill Courtney, Green 2,394 votes 2.9% (100.0% in party) Annie Wallack, Natural Law 1,960 votes 2.3% (100.0% in party)

INTRODUCTION

R.M. COOK BARELA - I am a United States citizen, born in America. I am Hispanic, Republican, and an ordained Christian minister. My ancestors fought and some died in the American Civil War as Union soldiers. I am Hispanic by birth, Republican by choice and a Christian by faith. I have never entertained a racist belief. Racism is not in my nature as a Hispanic American with strong family values and traditions and especially not because of my strong Christian convictions.

For over twenty-one years I served on the Los Angeles Police Department. During my service there was never a complaint or discipline charge filed against me by other police officers, supervisors or the public. For the last ten years before my retirement, I served as the Police Department's only ordained chaplain. As a chaplain I ministered to the needs of police officers, their families and the public without regard to their ethnicity, nationality, financial, or religious background.

Today I am the senior pastor of a multi-ethnic Christian congregation. As pastor of a Christian outreach ministry, I have personally assisted and helped support Lebanese missionaries during that country's civil war. I enjoy the friendship and trust of Arab-Americans as well as people of other ethnicities. The charges of racism, race baiting, bigotry and illegal campaign contributions made against me by Mr. Joseph Khoury are a slanderous assault against me personally and as an American who has the right to speak the truth. I have never attacked an Arab-American for any reason. What I say here is in response to the attacks that have been made against me.

RESPONSE TO CHARGES MADE BY MR. KHOURY AGAINST THE COOK BARELA FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The answers and statements herein submitted are under oath, with the respect and honor such a declaration demands. The following is the official response of R.M. Cook Barela to the FEC charges filed by Mr. Joseph Khoury, on August 25, 1998.

Due to the nature and method employed by Mr. Khoury in making these charges against The Cook Barela for Congress Committee, a complete and disqualifying answer is required. Since, Mr. Khoury chose to send these malicious, false and slanderous statements to others, has also obtained the support of a number of Arab organizations to support his false statements and unsubstantiated charges and since he has not hesitated to label me a racist in the eyes of my community, my country and the Republican Party (Khoury's exhibit IV), it became necessary for me to use the following method to respond to these charges.

REQUEST FOR CHARGES TO BE REJECTED

Having read the charges, I am now asking the FEC that no action be taken against myself, my committee or campaign treasurer in this matter as there is absolutely no substance to the charges presented by Mr. Khoury. He offers no truth or credible evidence to substantiate his charges or in support of his conspiracy theory.

PRIMARY COMPLAINT DISPUTE

Mr. Khoury's complaint against me should have been filed separately from that which he charged against Mr. Calvert. The charges Mr. Khoury filed with the FEC combines two separate and independent campaigns. The complaint should have been rejected on those grounds.

Having the FEC consider the complaint as a unit only serves to support Khoury's conspiracy theory and justification for his loss.

Mr. Khoury unites both committees as one, then proceeds with his charges, and the reader is left to assume his first statement is true. The complaint against my committee should have been filed separately and not combined with Mr. Calvert's campaign. My campaign was totally separate and unconnected to that of Mr. Calvert.

KHOURY'S CHARGES

"The candidacy of Mr. Barela appears to have operated as the equivalent of an independent expenditure for the Calvert candidacy."

Mr. Khoury offers no material supporting this charge. The statement is not worthy of consideration. Official FEC documents do not support such a statement.

Mr. Khoury states he believes the charges are true based on the information he submits and "on numerous conversations with many individuals."

Mr. Khoury does not submit documents that substantiate any of those numerous conversations, nor does he name those individuals. He does not provide FEC with any factual information in support of his charges. Mr. Khoury's delusions should not be justification for an FEC investigation.

IMAGINARY BELIEFS

I can just as easily state and submit a conspiracy theory similar to Mr. Khoury's with information provided by the press, Khoury and Arab sources.

I could say that I believe Joseph Khoury was professionally groomed for political office, that he was educated, trained, coached and began his preparation in French schools to run for federal office in the United States. That he arrived in America like the prince of Bel Air, moved in with relatives in luxurious New Bedford where he continued his political training. That Riverside County was pre-selected by a special interest group of Arab-Americans and Khoury was sent here as their representative to run in a new open congressional seat. A group of wealthy, powerful and influential Arab-Americans have been financing his campaigns through a network of individuals scattered across America. Those individuals receive funds from secret Arab organizations that launder foreign contributions. The plot is to elect "qualified" candidates who support their interest in Congress. These candidates become qualified when they make an initial financial or other personal commitment to the Arab cause. Upon entering politics the candidate receives the laundered funds from prescreened Arab Americans and various Arab institutions. The more educated, refined, and articulate a candidate is the more Arab PACs and others contribute to their political campaigns.

I could further state that I believe there is a conspiracy behind Mr. Khoury's quest for public office. That many of these various institutes, associations and organizations and their directors have connections to foreign nationals with ties to Middle East terrorist organizations as well as to some questionable international financial banking institutions. They have conspired to elect Arab Americans to office for the purpose of subverting America's Middle East policy from within our American institutions. However, I could not make all those charges, because I would be missing some supporting documents as well as statements from identifiable witness.

If I was to make those charges without support, the FEC should not launch an investigation into those charges, nor should the FEC or any other Federal agency be looking into the source of Mr. Khoury's personal or campaign's financial gains.

Yet, in these charges against my committee and myself, Mr. Khoury seems to have done just that. He charges me with criminal conspiracy, racism, bigotry, hatred as well as having violated Federal Election Campaign laws; all of it, solely based on an individual's egocentric imagination.

I am asking for the FEC to dismiss these frivolous charges with prejudice, toward myself, my campaign treasurer and The Cook Barela for Congress Committee.

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

In my declaration of candidacy, I took an oath in which I state I am running for congress for The United States House of Representatives, NOT to elect or in support of Congressman Ken Calvert or any other candidate. Those official federal documents state that I was a qualified candidate running for federal office, to represent the people of the 43rd congressional district. For Mr. Khoury to charge me with something that is not recorded as an independent committee is to question the oath I took as well as my loyalty to my committee and to the citizens of Riverside County. This charge is uncalled for and not supported in any of the exhibits or statements submitted. The Federal Election Commission, the State of California, and the office of the Riverside County Registrar of Voters all have on file my sworn statement and official declaration of candidacy as a verified candidate seeking the office of United States Representative, 43rd Congressional District. Mr. Khoury's insinuation that I would be involved in such a vile and deceitful political practice and would willfully deceive the people of the 43rd Congressional District is defamatory.

I qualified for the ballot by personally gathering valid signatures of registered voters in Riverside County. It was the people of Riverside that nominated and placed me on the ballot. To them I am grateful. For Khoury to say I deceived them by running a campaign for someone else is an insult to their intelligence and intentions. I ran an honest campaign as a Republican congressional candidate. I was not a pawn of any individual, party, special interest organization or association.

I neither cooperated, consented to, consulted with nor did I decide to run for public office upon the request or suggestion of Mr. Calvert, his agents or authorized committee. I was neither encouraged nor discouraged to run for office by Mr. Calvert. I did not support, receive or contribute to Mr. Calvert's campaign in any means whatsoever nor did I make any information available to Mr. Calvert about Mr. Khoury that I did not first make available to the public and the

press. I was not involved in receiving any independent donation from any incorporated entity, labor organization, individual or business organization associated with Mr. Calvert or the federal government.

As sworn to above, my campaign was independent of Mr. Calvert's campaign. As such there was no cooperation, coordination, support or conspiracy between myself, members of my campaign committee, or Mr. Ken Calvert, his committee members or supporters. There is no truth to Mr. Khoury's complaint. He has provided no evidence that a violation of the Act has occurred.

SUPPORTING STATEMENTS, EVIDENCE AND DECLARATIONS

RESPONSE FROM CAMPAIGN TREASURER

Mr. Carpolino has responded with the information pertaining to his responsibilities as the committee's campaign treasurer. He was not involved in our committee's operational decisions or other parts of our committee's decision making process. He was and is our committee's trusted treasurer and handles those responsibilities with great integrity and thoroughness. He would not, however, have access to/or be in a position to answer the charges that do not pertain to the campaign's finances (Exhibit 1).

HISTORY OF INTENT TO SERVE IN CONGRESS

In 1988, I unsuccessfully sought the Republican nomination to challenge Democratic Rep. George Brown in what was at that time the 36th Congressional District (Exhibit 2).

I first ran for congress long before Mr. Ken Calvert decided to seek public office, and long before Khoury moved into Riverside County. During his two former runs for congress, Khoury lived in Orange County, well outside the 43rd congressional district.

In 1992 I supported neither Khoury nor Calvert for congress. In 1994, Khoury asked for my endorsement, I would not support his candidacy, much to his irritation. My endorsement was quite valuable at that time because of the many and varied high profile community projects I had been involved in. The only public or personal support I gave Mr. Calvert at that time was encouragement and the published letter to the press (Khoury's exhibit II). Mr. Khoury lost that race by a little over 800 votes.

In 1992 I lost an election for State Assemblyman because my opponent used the same type of character assassination tactics deployed by Mr. Khoury against Mr. Calvert in 1994. I filed a lawsuit in Riverside Superior Court against my opponent, Ted Weggeland, for what one newspaper called "the worst venom and slanderous lies ever used in the political history of Riverside County. One that had no substance or merit." The paper called for an apology. I dropped the lawsuit once Weggeland apologized in writing.

I have never supported Mr. Khoury and would never support him because of his arrogant attitude and the vile methods he has frequently deployed in his quest for political power. I would not be associated with Mr. Khoury or anyone else (of any nationality) who exercises such vile political

practices. My refusal to support Mr. Khoury should be no reason to believe I would be engaged in a deceitful enterprise in support of Mr. Calvert.

Mr. Khoury, however, did ask me a number of times in separate telephone conversations not to run. Instead Khoury asked me, to join his campaign so that we could "blossom together."

On April 21, 1998, long after I had qualified for the ballot, Mr. Khoury's public relations consultant, Ms. Shirlee Pigeon from Word Mill Publication, publishers of the Conservative Voice newsletter, made a similar request. She asked me to withdraw from the race. She had made several public comments that I had no right running and should withdraw from the race and support Khoury.

KHOURY'S UNREPORTED IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

When I rejected Ms. Pigeon's suggestion, she refused to publish my declaration of candidacy, even though Tom Pigeon, her husband, had asked me to submit my biographical information for publication. She would also not accept a full-page advertisement in The Conservative Voice Newspaper.

The income a full page, paid political advertisement would have provided to a small publishing company would have been substantial. I believe Ms. Pigeon's refusal to accept the paid advertisement was an in-kind contribution by that business to the Khoury campaign. Enclosed, as exhibit 3 is my announcement of candidacy, submitted to the Conservative Voice, and the press release that followed Ms. Pigeon's refusal to publish my candidacy. (Exhibit 3).

While I was not involved in receiving independent donations from any incorporated entity, labor organization, individual or business organization associated with Mr. Calvert or the federal government, it appears that Mr. Khoury did receive campaign contributions from Word Mill, a privately owned business and publishers of The Conservative Voice. The Conservative Voice is not a recognized newspaper under California law. As a privately owned monthly publication it cannot be seen as anything other then a private campaign contribution by Word Mill to the Khoury campaign. Those advertisement costs or in-kind contributions are not revealed in his campaign disclosure statements.

Exhibit 4 shows two full-page political advertisements made by The Conservative Voice a Word Mill Publication. One appears in the Christian Times and the other in the Conservative Voice newsletter. A third advertisement for Khoury appears on page 5 of the Conservative Voice. That is also not revealed in his campaign contribution disclosure statement (Exhibit 4).

The full page paid advertisement that appeared in <u>The Southern California Christian Times</u> with a cost of over \$800.00 was also not disclosed as having been received as an in-kind contribution from Word Mill, The Conservative Voice, The Inland Empire Conservative Coalition, or its publishers editors Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pigeon. [See page 3 of the May 1998 Southern California Christian Times, Vol. 9, No. 5.] (Exhibit 4).

These advertisements endorsing Khoury by "The Conservative Voice" are <u>listed without a public</u> notice. It does not identify the name of the person or committee that paid for that expenditure and they do not state that the published communication was paid or authorized by the candidate or <u>his authorized committee</u>. Mr. Khoury does not disclose these in-kind contributions nor does the advertisement in those publications indicate who paid for the ads, which may be violation of 2 U.S.C. 441 d (a). I believe the failure to disclose these contributions as well as Mr. Khoury's failure to include a disclaimer in these advertisements is also a violation of FEC rules and regulations and merit an investigation.

Was the Inland Empire Conservative Coalition, The Conservative Voice or Word Mill Publishers working as undeclared "Independent Expenditure" surrogates for the Joe Khoury for Congress committee? There certainly is cause for concern as Word Mill, under the ownership of Tom and Shirlee Pigeon, served as Mr. Khoury's Public Relations firm during his campaign. Certainly the FEC Act was violated. Mr. Khoury, who, through his own admission is co-founder of the Inland Empire Conservative Coalition, further violated it.

As First Vice-President, Riverside chapter of the California Republican Assembly (non-profit), Mrs. Pigeon sent out (on what appears to be official CRA stationary) a letter in support of Mr. Khoury, with Word Mill Publication's business phone number and Ms. Pigeons home address listed. The mailer was paid for by the Khoury for Congress Campaign Committee. Was the California Republican Assembly in Riverside working through Ms. Pigeon as an independent expenditure or campaign committee for Khoury? Were other FEC laws violated as well? (Exhibit 5).

Mr. Khoury's web page located at www.khoury1998.com was repeatedly advertised and announced in The Conservative Voice paper, but no in kind campaign contribution was declared nor does Mr. Khoury's web site contain who authorized or paid for the internet advertisement as required by FEC regulations 2 U.S.C. 441 d (a). The web site is not disclosed as expenditure by the Khoury committee. The Conservative Voice web page or Word Mill located at www.wordpr.com/voice and www.wordpr.com did not have a disclosure statement on its web pages during the campaign.

OTHER IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

Both Mr. Khoury and Mr. Calvert received in kind contributions via shared newspaper political advertising costs from the Olive Grove Retirement Resort, a HUD federally funded housing facility. Both candidates participated in two fund raising events where they were provided with booth space during the day for their political literature and allowed to make campaign speeches. I was excluded and not invited until I inquired about the event when Khoury's paid advertisement appeared in our local newspaper. When I inquired about the event, Ms. Hansen told me she had left a message with a lady working at our campaign headquarters. Actually, I would have been the only one to answer that phone since it's in my office and no one was working for the campaign at that time. Ms. Hansen told me that there was no opportunity available for me to participate during that organization's "April Political Events Series." I believe this may constitute another federal violation. (Exhibit 6)

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She then offered me an opportunity to speak at that organization's health care event scheduled for May. However, most of the cheap advertising spots were already taken, and I would have to pay more what the other candidates had paid. In a follow-up phone conversation to discuss the paid advertisement, I found out the events were HUD funded and said I would not participate. I was later called and informed that this second event had been cancelled (Exhibit 6b).

Another form of federally funded support Mr. Khoury seems to have received is in his employment with the University of Riverside. His response to an FEC request for more information concerning charges against The Cook Barela for Congress Committee was sent on official University of California Riverside stationary. Is the University of California Riverside involved in support of Mr. Khoury's slanderous statements toward me, in his labeling me a racist and charging me with criminal activity? Is it an official complaint from that prestigious university against me or is Mr. Khoury using a federally funded institute in his campaign for personal and/or political gains?

NOT "INDEPENDENT" ACCORDING TO THE TECHNICAL DEFINITION

"The campaign was not 'independent' according to the technical definition of the FEC."

Mr. Khoury argues in support of this charge as if his first statement that the Cook Barela for Congress committee was "an independent expenditure for the Calvert candidacy" by stating:

"Barela issued literature attacking me and only me. No mention was ever made of Mr. Calvert although Mr. Calvert was and is the incumbent."

He also states, "Barela sent out in the last days of his campaign a newspaper style mailer, extolling his accomplishments and attacking me based on falsehoods, race, race baiting, and national origin."

Mr. Khoury further states claims made in the newspaper regarding his PAC funding was a "Lie and was almost verbatim the same exact claim made by Mr. Calvert whose mailer was sent out about the same time containing the same theme and language."

ANSWER TO THESE CHARGES

As sworn to above, my campaign was independent of Calvert's campaign. As such there was no cooperation, coordination, support or conspiracy between myself, members of my campaign committee, Ken Calvert, his committee members or supporters. I detest this vile and slanderous accusation by Khoury and answer his charges above with the following statements and exhibits:

From the onset of this campaign and in all of my political ventures, I have never publicly attacked an opponent. I have always sought public office on my own merits and accomplishments not by attacking the personal flaws of others. I have challenged my opponents by giving the public an alternative choice with a record of accomplishments and new ideas.

When I decided to run for congress, I gave both Khoury and Calvert a courtesy call announcing my decision to run. I had previously announced to them that I was considering a run for office.

California's new blanket primary was a strong incentive and I knew that the Democratic Party had no candidate willing to run.

When I finally decided to declare my candidacy, Ms. Pigeon of the Conservative Voice was the first individual I called instead of the regular press as she was the editor of the Conservative Voice and I wished to give her that news opportunity since she ran a monthly publication. My mistake was not knowing she and the public relations firm of Word Mill were under the employment of Mr. Khoury. When I informed her of my decision, she asked if I would talk to Mr. Khoury and he called me shortly after that. I was later asked by Mr. Pigeon to submit biographical information on myself to The Conservative Voice Newspaper. This was a very dishonest and deceitful lure by the Pigeon's. It is unethical for any business to request information under false pretenses. I believe they call it fraud because of the betrayal of trust it was once empowered with.

IT WAS GOING TO BE A RACIST CAMPAIGN

I mentioned to both Khoury and Calvert when I informed them I was running, that I would not run a negative mud-slinging campaign, and I would not personally attack them. It was at that time that Mr. Khoury told me he was going to run a "very bloody race."

Mr. Khoury's statement, while not a surprise to me, was contrary to the high moral anti racism declaration he had made that had been published in the press on January 17, 1998. In that news story, Khoury had called for "opposition to racism" Now he was telling me that he was going to make the contest for congress race based.

In a telephone conversation with Mr. Khoury, he made several other statements that were both clear and disturbing. He told me outright that the race was going to be:

- 1. Bloody, very, very bloody.
- 2. He was going to "win at any cost".
- 3. He was going to make it a racist contest.
- 4. He had the support of some very influential individuals.

Mr. Khoury emphasized he had support from some very powerful people, and that I would be surprised if I knew who they were.

When Khoury made the statement that it was going to be a racist contest, I understood it to mean that he was going to play the race card "At any cost" he had said. I believe he mentioned racism, because, he may have believed as a Hispanic I would understand and therefore help him in his campaign and not run. In support of that conversation exhibit 7 is enclosed. Unfortunately, my computer crashed shortly before Christmas 1998 and only a copy of the draft of the letter I sent Khoury on May 14, 1998 was found. It was written right after a public forum meeting. It reveals part of the conversation I had with Khoury when he initially called me and of what transpired at the forum. It shows the racist agenda Mr. Khoury was developing at that time, and substantiates the FEC charges he filed are without merit (Exhibit 7).

The influential individuals he mentioned I knew did not include controversial chief strategist

Ed Rollins, who was already known to have been hired by Khoury. The only influential individuals that arose to defend Mr. Khoury were Dr. James Zogby of the Arab American Institute and Hala Maksoud of the Arab American Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Mr. Khoury asked me to join in "his crusade," so that we could "blossom together." When I was not impressed, he questioned my rationale for running and asked why I would run against him. I mentioned to him that I was not running against him but for the office of the House of Representatives. He then became hostile and angry over my decision and called me Calvert's soul mate. Later, when I walked into his campaign headquarters to demand an apology for a slanderous statement he had made about me to the press, he called me Calvert's agent. At a public debate when Calvert was not present, I questioned why he held passports from two different countries, and he called me a proxy for Calvert. In an October 15, 1998 press release in support of Khoury, Dr. James Zogby called my campaign Calvert's surrogate.

KHOURY LAID OUT THE POLITICAL SCENE AND CALVERT TOOK THE BAIT

I realize that with Khoury playing the racist card and Calvert possibly responding negatively as he had in the past, it could very well work to my benefit. Khoury and his strategist laid out the political scene. The race was going to turn ugly and my chances of beating Khoury and unseating Calvert was a possibility, providing I could raise the funds needed to inform the public they had an alternate choice

Unfortunately for my campaign and fortunately for Mr. Calvert, with my entrance into the game, it seems as if Mr. Calvert's campaign strategy drastically changed. He decided not to run a negative campaign. This was a very smart move and I must give him credit, both for the moral integrity this showed and for the political benefits it brought him.

Calvert discounted the initial barrage of attacks from Khoury's flyers but found himself defending a statement made to the press by his campaign manger, Ed Slevin. Slevin claimed that Khoury had raised the vast majority of his money from outside the district, which was almost entirely Arab-American. While both statements were true, the statements played right into Khoury's plan and he immediately raised the racist card. "Mr. Slevin wants to put a racial tone to this campaign. The kind of racial overtones he wants to put on this campaign are repugnant and have no place in American politics," Khoury told the press.

With those words, the campaign took on the racial overtone Khoury had wanted from the beginning. The press played it as it had before. Khoury had told me he was going to play the race card and while I had earlier shared that information with the press, they chose not to print it.

A CAMPAIGN FUNDED BY ARAB AMERICANS

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My own investigation into Khoury's financial backing revealed that what Slevin had stated was half the truth. Khoury's campaign was being funded by individuals who had Arab sounding surnames, and the PACs that had contributed to his campaign and to which Mr. Khoury had contributed funds were organizations run by individuals with strong Middle East interests that were also financially contributing to Arab Americans running for congress. However, neither Calvert nor Slevin reported the second half of this truth.

It was evident that there was a special interest group of Arab Americans supporting Khoury's campaign. It also appeared that financial contributions were being solicited for Khoury's race and the financing for his campaign was coming almost exclusively from Arab Americans. The business or occupation of almost all of Khoury's campaign contributors remains unknown. It's no secret that money can buy elections, and it was very evident that someone was interested in buying a congressional seat in Riverside. Mr. Khoury knew this, Zogby and Maksoud knew this.

Zogby's Arab American Institute (AAI), formed in 1985, describes itself as "an electoral strategy and planning center for local Arab American communities. The Arab American Leadership Council (ALC), its National Policy Council (NPC), as well as a number of other Arab associations and institutions, offer leadership training, political, technical and financial support for Arab-American candidates. While not illegal, this type of information is very important for the public to know. Riverside County does not have a large Arab-American population.

In a follow-up press story on April 30, 1998, an apology from Calvert was demanded by Khoury and two Arab leaders, James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, and Hala Maksoud, of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee. When I was called for a comment, I commented from the FEC reports I had already provided the press. Khoury's campaign funding showed that only one family and 11 other individuals living in Riverside who did not have Arab-American surnames had contributed to his campaign. That financial contribution amounted to less then \$7,000. The rest of his \$123,000 was mostly from Arab-Americans living outside the district. Arab American PACs had contributed to Khoury's past campaigns and in this race. However, only my statement, "This is a special interest group" and "this looks like a league of Arab leaders that are buying a congressional seat here in Riverside," was printed.

In my 1992 race for State assembly, I was criticized by the press for having received a large portion of my campaign funds from a group of conservative Christians. Why should Mr. Khoury not be questioned? Because he is an Arab-American?

Khoury's press comments claiming Calvert, Slevin and I were "trying to cover deep racial prejudice" was meant to fuel the racist card Khoury was playing. But now he had dragged me into the mess. I demanded an immediate apology, as Khoury had demanded one from Calvert.

Khoury's racist game plan was following its path and his race baiting scheme was being played to the media's delight. They were fine-tuned during the race and most recently resurfaced in the charges he filed against me with the FEC. Khoury, while claiming to be proud of his heritage, for some reason does not want the information I had provided to the press made known. One would have to wonder why?

DEEP RACIAL PREJUDICE

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An old adage reads, "When they start calling you names, you've won the argument."

Khoury's comments to the press were slanderous and meant to be politically hurtful in that it labeled me, a Christian pastor and former Los Angeles Police Chaplain, as a racist, "trying to cover deep racial prejudice." The afternoon his remarks appeared in the press, I hand delivered

to Khoury at his campaign headquarters an open letter demanding an apology for the racist statement he had made about me to the press. Exhibit 8 reflects copies of the original news story, follow up stories, the letter written to Khoury as well as his response (Exhibit 8).

The letter I delivered calling for an apology from Khoury showed a history of involvement in helping Christian Lebanese missionaries working in Lebanon through financial and food relief during that country's civil war years. I demanded an immediate apology and told him, "I am not Ken Calvert and please do not associate me with his campaign. I raise my own questions regarding your campaign and now your integrity when you have to resort to these types of tactics. I have warned you once before that I will not tolerate false and slanderous comments made against me." Mr. Khoury responded by saying: "You're never going to get an apology from me! You've accused me of being a second hand citizen because I am a citizen of Lebanon! You're an agent for Calvert."

Evidently, his campaign strategist must have convinced him otherwise as he did write a response letter and while not apologizing, he does say that the racist remark printed in the press did not include me. "The 'they' he said refers to Calvert and Slevin." But that explanation was a lie, according to the story's reporter Dion Nissenbaum, who said Mr. Khoury's statements were said to include me.

The statements I had made to the press were true. Mr. Khoury's campaign funds were coming almost exclusively from Arab Americans and from Arab-American PACs with connections to Arab leadership organizations. News stories and press releases published by these same Arab leaders and associations confirm this to be true. So why does Khoury call them racist?

Having studied Middle Eastern organizations as an anti-terrorist expert, I was well aware of the ties some of those associations operating in America had in other countries, including Lebanon. What is troubling is that it's all true and Mr. Khoury knew it was true. Yet he changed the subject matter by crying out "racism."

A ONE SIDED ATTACK

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As far as attacking Mr. Khoury and only him, this also is a lie. I had some legitimate questions concerning Mr. Calvert in many areas, but the press chose not to print my concerns.

The ten page "American Homefront" mailer with special insert was designed to reveal that neither Calvert nor Khoury possessed the community service and experience I had. In comparison, their biographical campaign brochures were fluff, with no substance in comparison to my qualifications as a public servant (Exhibit 9).

On the very front page of the "American Homefront" I state, "Our country is suffering from a lack of moral and respectable leadership. Our representatives seem more interested in holding the party line than in upholding what the United States Constitution demands of its representatives."

The flyer, however, was not out to get anyone, Khoury or Calvert. In regard to Khoury, I had to defend the truth which I had spoken about Khoury and respond to his racist remarks about me and the lies he had told. I didn't like having to mention Khoury, but he attacked and I needed to

respond. Had he apologized and written to the Hispanic community he had lied to and made things right as I asked him to, I wouldn't have mentioned him at all in the "American Homefront."

In one of my first press releases, I questioned Congressman Calvert's introduction of H.R. 2866, a campaign reform bill which I called nothing but fluff and background noise. The lack of sponsors he had obtained on the bill showed it had no hope of passage, just a smoke screen set up to show he supported campaign reform. The press did not print my concerns, even though it had printed a story on Calvert's fund-raising bill. Its writer Onell R. Soto based in Washington, D.C. had apologized for not having given me the opportunity to respond to another story involving Calvert.

There were several other political items I brought to the attention of the press concerning both Calvert and Khoury, which the press decided not to pursue or print. While I was later informed that many of those issues had merit, Press Enterprise managers had already decided I was not going to get the same press coverage as the other two candidates. The press it seems had already made up their minds that it was going to be a race between two former rivals using the same tactics. My entrance into the race, with my values and support, was not to get the press coverage congressional candidates normally received. Six press releases were issued over a three week period announcing that I had taken out papers, announcing my candidacy, campaign organization and other fund raising activities before the press printed one small item regarding an event I was to attend. Of the dozen or more letters to the editor written in support of my candidacy by citizens, only one was published and that was toward the end of the race.

However, the challenges and questions I continued to raise concerning both Calvert and Khoury were legitimate questions that required coverage. The majority of those concerns became the heart of the issues the campaign and the press eventually had to deal with. However, I remained systematically excluded from most of the press coverage. Several news stories appeared quoting either Khoury or Calvert but my name remained unmentioned. When I questioned press reporters Onell R. Soto, Skip Morgan, Mark Petrix, Dion Nissenbaum, and two others covering political news stories about this, no excuse was given.

I was not silent in issues of importance concerning Calvert, as Khoury charges. Either the press was not publishing my responses and inquiries or I was not being contacted for a comment before the stories were published. (Exhibit 10).

ETHNIC CLEANSING, "NO LATINO RUNNING FOR CONGRESS"

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A Middle Eastern adage, "The worst insult an Arab can give his enemy is to not recognize their existence."

The "American Homefront" questioned Mr. Khoury's integrity and loyalty as well as to expose the blatant lie he had made to the Hispanic voters in Riverside County. "There is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd Congressional District." It was mailed, for the most part to households of registered Democrats (not Republicans as Khoury charges). It was designed to provide information about my campaign for congress by informing the voting public about my qualifications and background as well as exposing Khoury for the lies he had made.

FALSEHOODS, RACE BAITING & NATIONAL ORIGIN

As far as the "American Homefront" citing, falsehoods, race, race baiting, and national origin, Khoury does not state what those falsehoods, race, race baiting and national origin were.

I have every right to question not only where Mr. Khoury receives his campaign funding but also who his supporters are. What is a natural American political interest he has labeled a racial issue. If there was any "racism or race baiting," it was found in Mr. Khoury's eyes, his heart and verified by his campaign literature. This charge shows how desperate Mr. Khoury is to change the subject pertaining to his campaign funding practices and turn the focus away from where we may find the truth.

What is written in "The American Homefront" was taken directly from respectable government watchdog organizations and verified from official FEC records (Exhibit 11).

KHOURY'S ARAB PAC CONNECTIONS ARE REAL

Federal Election Commission records show Mr. Khoury contributed \$922.00 to the "American Task Force for Lebanon Policy Council" PAC. FEC records reveal Khoury's PAC funding has been almost exclusively Arab PACs. Those are factual government figures that were reprinted in The American Homefront. They reveal PACs from where Mr. Khoury has received funds or had contributed funds to. They are:

Americans for Lebanon Political Action Committee (ALPAC) American Task Force for Lebanon Policy Council Morgan Companies Political Action Committee (Morganpac) Physicians Interindemnity/Fed-Pac Arab American Leadership Political Action Committee

Some of these organizations' fund-transferring practices have been repeatedly questioned by the FEC. There are several requests for corrections in the files of these organizations, because they have failed to provide full disclosure statements for the sources and origins of questionable campaign funds. Some have been under investigation by the FEC and special congressional committees. I believe there are some very serious and questionable connections that bear investigation by the FEC and other federal government agencies as to Mr. Khoury's connections to these organizations. Are the same individuals contributing to these PAC, also contributing to the same candidates? Are the PAC funds then being sent out to supplement certain "qualified" candidates?

A special insert included in "The American Homefront" is a report from <u>The American Spectors</u> November 1997, magazine article by Kenneth R. Timmerman. In that article the reporter refers to Mr. Zogby as being involved in soliciting campaign contributions from Arab businessmen in Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, and Syria.

"The source claimed the funds were solicited by Gabriel, and occasionally by Zogby, and were deposited into accounts controlled by Zogby's Arab American Institute, which then paid out the moneys to Arab Americans who could legally contribute to the campaign. These people who have no resources, who are not on the board of any organization,' the source said about these

nominal donors. 'They send in checks of \$1,000, \$5,000, occasionally \$10,000, but never more. We're talking about several hundred thousand dollars in soft and hard money.'"

As an American I have a right to question foreign associations that may have local connections when it involves a candidate that may become my representative in congress. For Mr. Khoury to launch these malicious and unsubstantiated FEC charges against me long after the campaign has been lost calls for an examination of Mr. Khoury's true motives.

Already these false "racist" statements filed with the FEC by Mr. Khoury are being used on a national and international level to solicit support from Arab nationals. Do we have Arab organizations trying to buy seats in congress? The evidence is there. It is found in the political statements of those organizations and associations. It is there in their publications, letters, news reports and any number of other media services used in support of Arab candidates. But Mr. Khoury would want us to believe that if we inquire into his source of funding and support, we are racist in nature.

Will Khoury become the spokesman for Arab political institutions while he points at Riverside as an example of racism? Are we going to be labeled as a race-baiting county, all because Mr. Khoury did not win his race? Or is there another motive behind this complaint?

THE DANGERS OF FAIRNESS & EXCLUSION

Under the Arab American Institute banner, Dr. James Zogby issued a press release on October 15, 1998 calling for "Fairness and Inclusion" in support of Khoury. Zogby stated, the call "was prompted by the recent experience of Arab American candidate Sarkis Joseph Khoury in California's 43rd congressional district. Khoury, a conservative Republican, had a strong primary campaign until his opponent, Rep. Ken Calvert, and his surrogates resorted to Arab baiting." (Exhibit 12).

According to this new Zogby/Khoury doctrine of fairness and inclusion, Americans must refrain from questioning the campaign financial practices of all Arab-Americans running for public office or they will be labeled a racist. This political race in Riverside County is now being used as an example of racism and Arab bashing by over 39 liberal organizations, when in fact it was their own candidate that set it up to look like a "racist" event.

Using Khoury's false and misleading charges submitted to the FEC, Mr. Zogby has recently sought support to combat Arab baiting in American politics by identifying my campaign as a racist surrogate of Calvert's re-election campaign. Mr. Zogby and Khoury have switched back and forth in their accusations levied against Calvert or myself as if the campaigns were one and the same. I resent being used by the Khoury/Zogby conspiracy team for this purpose. Vilification and scurrilous attacks of this sort to which Khoury and Zogby have indulged themselves can create the atmosphere in which ugly actions might occur. This proclamation places my family and me in a very dangerous situation and the Khoury/Zogby tag-team is well aware of what they are doing with these false charges. They must be dropped and must reflect an FEC investigation where they are declared unfounded and charges by Khoury totally dismissed.

Unless these FEC charges are quickly dismissed, the charges filed will continue to be used as an example of racism and Arab-baiting in America. They will be used to solicit funds for the purpose of electing Arab-American candidates, because anyone questioning their fund raising activities will be likewise branded a racist. Khoury has reproduced his six-legged conspiracy theory as an example of racism in American. He is today using these unsubstantiated racist charges as a reason to justify his loss, when the truth is the citizens of Riverside County did not tolerate Khoury's negative and sick methods of political campaigning

KHOURY'S QUESTIONABLE CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

Does questioning a congressional candidate with financial support and connections to international banking make me a racist? Does questioning why Mr. Khoury has four different congressional committees with four different addresses, four different bank accounts in four different cities, a different treasurer each time he runs for office, a number of telegrams from the Federal Elections Commission notifying him of his failure to file reports of receipts and expenditures each year since 1995, make me a racist? Does questioning Mr. Khoury's campaign practices make me a racist? Isn't the American public entitled to know the truth? FEC violations by the Khoury campaign do warrant an FEC investigation.

What is surprising and perhaps a little bit troubling is that Congressman Ken Calvert has apparently never questioned Khoury's connections to those Arab organizations that do seem to be behind the source of most of Khoury's campaign funds. In all these races, he has never asked for Khoury's financial campaign disclosures to be audited, when this abuse is evident in all of his races. The connections seen on the surface should sound an alarm in anyone, regardless of our political positions. Not because we are racist and these are Arab organizations, but because we as citizens. We must assure the representatives elected to congress have America's best interests in mind and not another country's political agenda.

I believe these are honest questions deserving a proper response. They are questions that the public, who may have been deceived and may have donated funds to the Khoury campaign because of those lies, deserves to know the truth.

Mr. Khoury made a public proclamation, indeed wrote a book against PACs, stating he says he has not received any PAC funds. The public believing him was deceived. He lied to them. FEC records show that indeed he did receive PAC funds in 1998, which to date they have not been returned to those organizations. Mr. Khoury continued to deny those funds until I brought it to the attention of a Press Enterprise Newspaper reporter. He then supposedly returned them, but FEC records do not support this claim

Another disclosure Khoury failed to file is the discharged debt of \$1,000.00 owed to The Americans for Lebanon PAC. That debt was from a \$1,000.00 excess contribution ALPAC had made to Khoury in 1992 (what Khoury here charges me of doing). When that committee terminated, it showed \$600.81 cash on hand and \$1,000.00 owed by Khoury on its books. Khoury never repaid the excess campaign contribution by ALPAC. ALPAC in order to terminate its committee donated the \$600.81 to (D) Senator Charles E. Schomer's campaign, 'Schomer 98' and Khoury's Orange County Campaign Committee was credited with a \$1,000.00 forgiveness of

debt. Or was it a campaign contribution from the Americans for Lebanon PAC on January 9, 1998 the day the committee terminated (Exhibit 13).

LIFE EXPERIENCES: UNITED STATES MARINE, POLICE OFFICER, CHRISTIAN PASTOR, AND WRITER

When Dr. James Zogby and Hala Maksoud responded in support of Joe Khoury, the names sounded an alarm. For over twenty years I have been involved in studying the historical Jewish/Arab world and its connection with my Christian beliefs.

As a former police officer who has written and lectured on world terrorist organizations, those names called for critical examination. I was very much aware of international connections with foreign nationals living in America that continue to pose a threat to the national and internal security of our nation. I had not taken the time to study the possible connection within the American political system. While some of these organizations may be only loosely associated because of shared ideologies, others hold strong Anti-American and Anti-Jewish views. Some are heavily involved in seeking ways to destroy our nation by whatever means possible. Some of these organizations within America are so protective of Palestinian rights, they would compromise our country's national security systems if they could. When a congressional candidate continues to try and deceive the public as Mr. Khoury has repeatedly done throughout his campaigns, this should raise red flags in the patriotic hearts of any red-blooded American. Not because we are racist, as Mr. Khoury would have others believe, but because there are connections that warrant an investigation.

Arab American multi-candidate PACs issuing campaign funds with questionable origins to Arab American congressional candidates do warrant watching. As Rep. Henry Hyde said during the impeachment hearings of the President, "not because we hate the president, but because we love our country."

During the campaign, I received several calls concerning my so-called "racist" remark Khoury had connected me to in his remarks to the press. From those conversations, some with Lebanese Americans that love our country, I was able to determine that yes, some Arab Americans were involved in channeling funds exclusively to Arab American candidates, that yes, there is an underground fund channeling project. It does exist among Arab Americans that desire to place Arab Americans with Middle East sentiment into national public office. "We all know some of that is going on," the Arab-American Riverside voter told me.

Kenneth R. Timmerman, writing for the November 1997 issue of "The American Spectator" exposed some of those connections. However, it doesn't seem as if much has come from those monetary fund-transferring schemes among Arab American organizations and elected officials now serving in our nation's capitol, including Vice President Al Gore. Those are all serious connections that the FEC has been investigating. Mr. Khoury's campaign contributions from individuals associated with Mr. Zogby's calls for investigation as to their origin.

I am an American, and that gives me the right to question anyone, including any foreign born national who obtains citizenship by marriage, by political or by any other means, then enters

national politics. When such an individual has chosen to retain his own country's birth right and is heavily funded from questionable sources, this type of connection bears eternal vigilance.

Are these charges levied against me "sour grapes" by an individual whose vanity has prevented him from accepting three rejections by the majority of informed and educated voters of Riverside County? Or, are they a clever device meant to lay down a foundation for others to play the race card in future political campaigns? If the latter is true, then this type of racism is the height of bigotry. This is true race baiting and the American voter is the victim.

VERBATIM STATEMENTS

Mr. Khoury's charge that the Cook Barela for Congress Committee violated FEC laws because we were an independent Calvert committee working with Calvert is, according to him, further substantiated by his statement:

"The claim made in the newspaper regarding my PAC money was a lie and was almost verbatim the same exact claim made by Mr. Calvert whose mailer was sent out about the same time containing the same theme and language."

I was also surprised when I received Calvert's campaign mailer sent out during the last week of the election. That it contained the same theme and almost verbatim the same language as my mailer, as Khoury claims, would be plagiarism. I had already supplied that information to the press, at my campaign appearances and fund raising activities for weeks. That information was also made available to the press and the public at the public forum meeting where Khoury and I spoke but Calvert was not present. I made sure Calvert's representative received a copy as well. I have often wondered why Calvert had not used this readily available information before. It was important information that the public had the right to know. Had the Calvert camp never really looked into Khoury's campaign financing status as closely as I had? While Khoury and others may have seen what I was questioning as a political or racist move, in my eyes it was beginning to look like a national security issue. I did not trust Mr. Khoury and began to question and continue to question his true allegiance.

HYPHENATED AMERICANS

In the letter addressed to the Chairman of the Republican Party, Mr. Khoury makes it a point to state: "I have always thought of myself as an American and rejected all hyphenations. I am now being forced to reconsider."

Khoury apparently believes Americans would not vote for him if he were referred to as an Arab-American! If so, that is stereotyping and racist. If, however, hyphenation means to Khoury a dual allegiance status that he is "being forced to reconsider," as he threatens in his letter, then yes, I once again question his dual citizenship status and his allegiance to America.

A hyphenated American is no reason why I would not vote for an individual. I would not vote for a candidate that lies, deceives and brings racism into politics. I would not vote for a candidate that is receiving campaign funds almost exclusively from a specially selected ethnic group or

special interest PAC. That reeks of racism and favoritism, and I would question who such an individual was going to represent in congress.

For weeks the press had chosen not to print information I had supplied them concerning Khoury. They also chose not to write about Khoury's dual citizenship status. I was surprised to learn that Mr. Calvert did not have information pertaining to Mr. Khoury's dual citizenship standing with Lebanon. While that in itself is not a wrong, connected with all the other information that arose during the campaign, it was alarming. If it's not wrong, then why was Mr. Khoury so alarmed by its disclosure? Why did he wish it to remain hidden? Why does he label a racist anyone inquiring into his campaign finances or questioning his support base?

I was engaged in a congressional race between two highly financed, well known candidates with ties to influential individuals with vast monetary resources and highly priced national campaign consultants, which included the three Ed's, Ed Slavin, Ed Rollins and Ed Goas. While Khoury was attacking Calvert, he was spending a great amount of time in my "backyard" trying to overcome my influence and swing support in his favor from the communities in which I have been most active. Meanwhile, Calvert's campaign literature seemed surprisingly directed at overcoming my life experiences, community involvement and commitments. Both Calvert and Khoury sent out literature dealing primarily with law enforcement and education. Khoury's literature even went as far as echoing, the building of a church from the ground up and even took on the theme of our campaign, "God, Country, Family". For the first time both sought Hispanic and military support for their campaigns. These were areas and activities where neither of these two politicians had ventured into before, certainly not with the zeal they did so in this race. There is no doubt that both candidates considered me as a viable candidate. Both also knew that I was financially challenged having entered the race at such a late hour. By making these false charges against me, is Khoury hoping to prevent me from considering another race? Or is he planning to use these false racist charges to solicit more campaign funds from Arab-Americans?

THE DEMOCRATIC VOTE

While Mr. Khoury courted the Democratic vote, he was clearly not their choice. They chose to vote for a totally unknown candidate, an individual that obtained more votes then Khoury while spending less then the cost of a night's stay at the Mission Inn. Mr. Khoury did not lose his election because of racism, as he would like for us to believe. The citizens of Riverside County did not support his candidacy and his veiled connections. Over 76% of Riverside County residents that voted in the June primary voted against Khoury.

However, the possibility that the racist card may play well in Riverside in what AAI described as a majority-minority state may very well be why Riverside County was selected as an easy target by outside special interest groups. Compared to other districts nationwide, Riverside may have been seen as an easy target because of its minority makeup. This tells us a great deal about the racist attitude Khoury and his associates' harbor. Fool the minorities in Riverside, get their support and Khoury could win. It would have been a cheap seat to buy.

DESPERATELY SEEKING LATINOS

Mr. Khoury charges that the issue was "more problematic when one considers the ethnicity of Mr. Barela who was desperately, or so he wanted us to believe, seeking Latino votes where the majority of the community is foreign born."

What a depraved and racist remark is made here by Mr. Khoury! This is race baiting at its height. This statement reveals that Mr. Khoury neither understands the Hispanic community nor the true value of the American political system. The majority of Hispanics voting and living in Riverside county are third and fourth generation Hispanics. We value and love our country more then our nationality. My commitment to my country is based upon my American heritage not on my ethnicity (Exhibit 2b).

Mr. Khoury knew that I was Hispanic and had qualified for the ballot. Yet he sent out a mailer that offended many Hispanics (Exhibit 14). Mr. Khoury's ethnic statements found in that mailer reeked of racism, race baiting and bigotry. His stereotyping of the Hispanic voter is unforgivable. His implication that inclusion in the American political system should be given because of an individual's ethnic features is not what Hispanics support. What a disservice that would be to America, to that individual's national origin, elected to public office by affirmative action.

What many politicians do not understand about the Hispanic voter was once addressed by conservative commentator, Linda Chavez, who said, "Hispanics are the most heterogeneous of ethnic groups, a fact that even Hispanic leaders choose to ignore, for political purposes." There are however, liberal Latino "La Raza" type of individuals that share Mr. Khoury's beliefs. They are small in number in the Hispanic community, and Khoury chose to surround himself with those Latinos without taking the time to know the heart of the Hispanic voter in Riverside County.

DECEIVING THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY

Khoury's low opinion and stereotyping of the Hispanic voter was found in the mailer he sent to thousands of Hispanic surnamed households. Khoury tried to deceive the Hispanic community by having sixteen unheard of liberal "Latino leaders" from the Democratic Party, some or whom were not registered to vote, sign a very deceiving letter, a letter that was sent to Hispanic surnamed households. Calvert sent out a similar note that also met with displeasure.

Mr. Khoury's letter was a racial insult of the type only Khoury and his campaign's chief strategist, Ed Rollins, could have produced together. Rollins is a consultant with a controversial history. In 1993 Rollins said he had paid off black ministers in the New Jersey election. At a roast for California State Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, he referred to Jewish Congressmen as "those Hymie boys." This latest campaign blunder is a tasteless and offensive insult designed to deceive and degrade a carefully selected ethnic group of people.

The letter boldly proclaimed to Riverside voters, "There is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd congressional district."

Race baiting could not be defined in better terms. The letter can only be seen as having been sent to deceive, humiliate, insult and degrade me as a Hispanic American. Not only was my ethnicity and nationality questioned, but also my qualifications as a valid candidate. It was an effective and very deceitful way by which the Khoury camp patronized, divided and destroyed the power of the Hispanic vote in Riverside County.

That there was no Hispanic running in the 43rd congressional district was a blatant lie. It was a contemptuous attack upon my ethnicity, peppered with tasteless vanity and false glory. Khoury's letter reeked of prejudice and stereo typing while proclaiming to Hispanics that inclusion in America's political system requires the embracing of racism. It told Hispanic voters that they couldn't be trusted with the truth, that they were not intellectually capable of making a decision based on the qualifications of a Hispanic candidate, and because Khoury had learned "Spanish" they should vote for him.

I received a copy of the letter because of my Hispanic surname, and after reading it, demanded an immediate apology. It was the second apology I had requested from Khoury because of his racist insults. In response, Khoury continued his racial assault as reported in a follow up Press Enterprise story.

"The letter should have said, there is no "viable" Latino in the race" He apologized for leaving out that word. "There was no intent to obfuscate here in any way, shape or form," Khoury said. "The word 'viable' was missing and for that I apologize." (Exhibit 15).

Mr. Khoury lied to those Latino leaders, he made them look like fools. He told them that there was no "Latino" candidate then circulated a letter and asked them to sign while he fed and entertained them with ethnic dances and music. All of the so-called "Latino leaders" had either not read the letter before signing it or had not bothered to inquire if indeed a Hispanic was running. Many felt betrayed, deceived and many were angry.

The responses of the "Latino" leaders when they were made aware that there was a Hispanic candidate was published in "The American Homefront." The newspaper type mailer was meant to show how Khoury had lied to the Hispanic community. It quotes from an Old Spanish adage.

A slick snake-oil selling salesmen came into a small Spanish village using sweet sophisticated words that were hard for the villagers to understand. He sold them products they didn't need or want. When the products' quality began to be questioned and he was about to be found out, he kissed them on the cheek while he stole the socks right out from underneath them. Likewise, Joe Khoury gave the Latino leaders a kiss on the cheek, stole their vote, then called them sophisticated leaders to further obfuscate them.

In return for their signatures, according to Mr. Tom Ruiz owner of the Hacienda restaurant in Corona and one of the signers of the letter, Joe Khoury promised the Latino leaders to be their "voice" in Washington, D.C. He vowed to earn their trust and made a promise to represent their liberal interest in Congress.

Because Khoury made similar promises to liberal members of the Democratic Party, many Republican voters questioned Khoury's Republican commitment, his conservative views, loyalty and integrity as well as why he was running on a Republican ticket.

RESPONSE TO SIMILAR LANGUAGE CHARGE AND PAC FUNDING

I have already responded to what Mr. Khoury calls a similarity to the tone and language used by my committee and Mr. Calvert's in regard to PAC contributions. Perhaps I should have called the Calvert camp and charged them with plagiarism for having used information I provided to the press and the public without having given me proper credit as the source of those statements.

Mr. Khoury's statement that FEC records show he received no PAC funds "in the 1998 election cycle" is not true. Khoury received PAC funds in December of 1997 and in early May 1998. Khoury fails to reveal that he has been a recipient of PAC funds in all of his campaigns for congress. This is a fact as recorded in official FEC files.

WHY IS A GOOD DEED SO HARD TO FATHOM?

Khoury submits as proof of a conspiracy and that my committee "operated as the equivalent of an independent expenditure for the Calvert candidacy," because 1 "Did not show lack of enthusiasm for Mr. Calvert after the latter was caught with a prostitute in Corona."

In an article written by conservative commentator Cal Thomas, regarding Senator Bob Dole's \$300,000 loan to former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Cal Thomas wrote:
"It is everywhere true that no good deed goes unpunished. But, in Washington, cynicism now runs so deep that on the relatively few occasions when we see a selfless act, it never goes unanalyzed unless the proper ulterior motives are assigned."

Khoury's reference to a letter I had written to the press in 1994 is supposed to support his independent expenditure charge. He writes that I, "Was tolerant of Mr. Calvert's behavior and most supportive of his tenure in congress in 1994. There is no evidence that he has had a change of heart."

I do not possess a Larry Flint heart I do not seek vengeance after an individual has voiced repentance and issued an apology. Selflessness in the age of press agents and large egos is difficult to recognize because it is so rarely seen. When it is seen it is often slandered lest it catch on and indict those who prefer the placement of themselves in front of others. Unlike our President, as State Senator Raymond Haynes wrote, Mr. Calvert has not repeated this behavior. I chose to support Congressman Ken Calvert at a critical time in his political life. It was an unpopular thing to do and I was severely criticized and condemned for that support by many conservative Republicans and even some Christian pastors. But my Christian convictions dictated otherwise. However else it may seem, I believe a new unattached relationship did emerge with Congressman Calvert, one that transcends politics, policies and power. I believed Mr. Calvert's repentant statements and had no reservations for supporting him at that time, much to the irritation of Mr. Khoury. Whatever else Khoury knows, he does not understand my background, responsibilities, and commitment as a Christian pastor.

The poet Longfellow sensed what benefits come from selflessness, not only to the players, but to the wider populace: "Whene'er a noble deed is wrought, Our hearts in glad surprise, To higher level rise."

During this year's election, Khoury once again repeatedly bombarded Calvert with negative brochures for a transgression long forgiven by the people of Riverside County. Khoury assumes that we all share his distorted views of American politics and his hatred toward Calvert. Lacking anything positive to contribute toward his election, Khoury, as he has done in past elections, attacked, attacked and attacked, again and again over the same incident. He used the prostitute incident to such a disgraceful level that there is no doubt he quite possibly inflicted deep emotional abuse on the woman involved. I felt grief for her as she was once again being publicly ridiculed by Khoury's assaults to the anguish of her friends, children and family members. Khoury's contemptible political practices are not the type of politics I practice or support. The conservative voters of Riverside County did not welcome them. This is what destroyed Khoury's chances. It wasn't racism, but his immoral and degrading political schemes.

I did not need to "attack" Calvert on this issue. The press will always remind the voters of that transgression every election. Besides this, Mr. Khoury was already spending great sums of money pointing out to the public Congressman Ken Calvert's faults. Perhaps it wasn't, as Khoury wrote, that the people asked if it would bother them more if a "Congressman was caught with a prostitute or if he were receiving Arab money," that did not turn people away from voting for him. The Press Enterprise newspaper reported the negative reaction the first of Khoury's numerous mailers had on the voting public. One recipient of Khoury's first negative mailer against Calvert said, "I felt sympathy for Calvert." "I was just livid when I read that letter (Khoury's). It really tore at my loyalties too because I don't like Calvert, but I hated this letter," Another female reader echoed those sentiments, "It turned my stomach." What bothered the decent people of Riverside County the most were Khoury's continuous assaults over an incident that had occurred four years before coupled with his own self righteous declarations after he had unleashed a barrage of negative campaign flyers. It was the height of Mr. Khoury's hypocrisy coupled with his denials of accepting PAC funds and his selective campaign financing that disgusted the American voter in Riverside. Khoury was seen as untrustworthy and deceitful. It is, however, unfortunate that Congressman Calvert, while voting for the President's impeachment, has not been able to publicly speak out against the immoral practices of our President because of this past indiscretion.

CHARGES OF COORDINATION ON THE TACTICAL LEVEL

Mr. Khoury's charges that "there was also evidence of some coordination on the tactical level. For example, a voter inquiring about a debate scheduled for all the Republican candidates was told when he called to inquire about whether Congressman Calvert would be attending, that the Congressman will not be present but Cook Barela would." Mr. Khoury cites that incident as evidence to support his distorted conspiracy theory.

On the day of the debate, May 14, 1998, The Press Enterprise Newspaper reported on the topics the 44th congressional candidates had debated the day before. It also reported that newly elected Rep. Mary Bono was not present. She was in Washington D.C.

Interestingly enough, when I called to see if Mr. Calvert would be in attendance shortly before leaving for the debate, I was informed that he was in Washington, but they believed Mr. Khoury would be in attendance. There is no truth to these charges.

I knew that without Calvert being present, the press would not cover our debate, which is exactly what happened. They were not interested in covering what I knew and would expose. A Hispanic American questioning Khoury's campaign financing would not ring as being racist, which was what the local newspaper was embracing as newsworthy. I wanted to inquire about Mr. Khoury's associations with Arab institutions that had contributed to his campaign and about Khoury's dual citizenship status, issues I had asked the press about but they had not pursued. Other local newspapers were covering those topics but not the Press Enterprise, the largest circulating newspaper in Riverside.

Indeed, when I began to question Mr. Khoury on those topics, his colleague, Professor Hamilton, cut me short. When others in the audience asked similar questions, they were also cut off by Khoury's supporters or by the professor. What were they trying to hide? What conspiracy was Khoury involved in and what did he fear? He had individuals as plants sitting in the audience who did not ask questions of me but lectured on items and ideas I had published in my campaign flyers. A supposed military veteran charged me with witnessing or committing atrocities during my tour as a Marine in combat. That individual's testimonial was highly questionable and when I turned to inquire about his military credentials, I was promptly cut off by Khoury's employees and the professor. It was obvious to the audience that Khoury was either hiding something or it was all a set up.

When I did get a chance to question Mr. Khoury about his two passports and dual citizenship status he became quite irritated, pointing out that he only uses his American passport to travel from or into the United States. Khoury knows full well an American citizen can only use an American passport to exit or return to our country. He failed to mention that once outside this country he could travel without restriction to any number of countries by using his other country's passport. Traveling to Mexico then flying from there to other countries using a different passport is a practice many individuals use that do not want our country to know they are flying into a country that is off limits to the average American citizen.

CHARGE OF EXCESS CAMPAIGN FUNDING

Mr. Khoury submits as evidence to support his campaign contribution allegations exhibit III. "The contribution of \$2,000 and the timing of the contribution are reasons to be suspect."

Khoury knows these charges are totally false. They are, however, the only means by which Khoury could include me with the racist charges he wished to charge against Congressman Ken Calvert. When Khoury could not find any wrong, he submitted these charges that anyone reviewing the documents can see was without merit and very devious. The charge became the means by which Khoury could submit what would not otherwise be an acceptable FEC complaint.

Khoury charges my campaign committee with improperly receiving \$2,000 in campaign contributions during the last week of the campaign. Mr. Khoury, who is a political financial professor teaching at the University of Riverside, doesn't seem to be able to complete simple addition. Khoury has been involved in congressional campaigns for years and should be knowledgeable about FEC rules and regulations. He is aware that a contribution of over \$1,000 from any one individual would be a violation of FEC campaign contribution restrictions and charges this is what occurred. Khoury would have us believe that an additional \$1,000 contribution was made when it was nothing more than our campaign treasurer's compliance with FEC requirements of 48 hour notice of contribution on an official FEC form as required by FEC regulations. The total amount received remains \$1,000 which is evident, if all the FEC pages had been submitted in proper sequence in Khoury's complaint.

Simple addition reveals only one \$1,000 campaign contribution. It is a duplicate of the contribution already reported on the itemized receipts that is summarized in the detailed summary report.

Mr. Khoury's complaint included copies of FEC reports deliberately placed out of sequence to try and prove his point. This was a very deceitful ploy and can only be seen as an attempt to deceive FEC commissioners.

This charge, without substance, came from a candidate whose campaign reports are peppered with questionable disbursements, numerous mathematical errors and questionable contributions. To date it is unknown if Khoury gave/loaned himself \$4,000.00 or \$8,000.00 during the last days of the campaign. A number of requests from the FEC to Khoury requesting clarification remain unanswered.

KHOURY'S SMOKING GUN

The business or occupation of almost all of Khoury's campaign contributors remains a mystery and undisclosed. Eighty-seven percent of Khoury's campaign contributors in this past campaign have not listed their employer or occupation. Failure to list this important information is a practice Khoury's campaign committees have repeatedly done since 1992. This missing information gives credence to the possibility of the laundering of campaign funds. I have submitted only a few of the numerous letters of request for correction and disclosure of documents that were not properly reported or accounted for by the Khoury committee and their treasurer; David L. Davis. This information is still missing from the Khoury campaign, and these reports do require full public disclosure to which Mr. Khoury has failed to properly comply. Khoury's failure to supply that information long after repeated requests from the FEC does warrant a full FEC investigation. The FEC should initiate a complete audit and/or legal enforcement should begin with these blatant FEC violations. (Exhibit 16)

Knowing the cost of mailing campaign literature, it is troublesome to realize that most of the funds Khoury received had been dispersed long before he mailed his third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth mailers. There remains no accounting for the cost associated with those mailers in his campaign disclosure reports. Each mailing would cost thousands of dollars for the setup, printing and mailing costs. Yet the income that was reported was insufficient to cover not only the cost of all of those mailings but the other monthly expenses Khoury had been

disbursing. There is no accounting for the overall consulting fees paid to political strategist Ed Goas.

Where did the funds to pay for those mailers come from and how were they dispersed is not reported in any of Khoury's campaign disclosures. These campaign letters and flyers could not have been printed previously as they reflect last minute campaign strategies and response to last minute press coverage. Other postage related costs are not found in the campaign disclosure reports he submitted. This does warrant an investigation and proper accounting.

Did Mr. Khoury deliberately submit my official FEC campaign committee's reports only as an excuse to bring these unsupported racist charges to the national forefront? It's hard to believe a professor of finance would misread clean typewritten documents with an amount totaling less then \$8000.00, and come up with an extra \$1,000.00, then call it 2/7th of the funds raised. Yet, he wishes us to believe that. We have already seen Khoury use this type of deceitful half-truths throughout his complaint. These practices should seriously question Khoury's integrity and the value of the declaration he submitted under oath.

A WILLING, CONSCIOUS AND ILLEGAL PARTICIPANT

Mr. Khoury's concluding charge that I "was a willing, conscious and illegal participant" in what could be a crime are serious charges that carry no truth or substance.

Mr. Khoury has offered no believable evidence in support of any the charges he submitted to the FEC, concerning the Cook Barela for Congress Committee. There is no evidence of excess campaign funding, no evidence of racism or bigotry, nothing to substantiate Khoury's claims. He has, however, in these charges managed to divide the Republican Party in Riverside County, insult the voters of the 43rd congressional district, insult thousands of Hispanic citizens as well as prominent leaders of the Jewish community.

RESPONSE TO JOSEPH KHOURY'S FIVE PAGE POLITICAL ESSAY

I hesitated to respond to Mr. Khoury's five page essay, but since he submitted it as background material for FEC consideration and makes several serious charges of race-baiting, racism, illegal acts and conspiracy against myself and my campaign committee, I felt compelled to answer all these charges as well as those listed in Mr. Khoury's official complaint.

Once again these charges are not credible. There is no truth found here and one can only question why Mr. Khoury would resort to filing these false charges. Is there another motive involved by the submission of these charges? There is no substance to the charges presented and at best they are a cleverly disguised smoke screen that may involve a more sinister purpose. It is not my intention to prove that purpose or what motives Mr. Khoury may have in the submission of these unsupported charges. The reader is left to draw their own conclusions from the evidence I submit in my defense. As Rep. Lawrence J. Smith (D-Fla.) once said after suffering a similar racist attack from Zogby, "Anything I said was in response to attacks that had been made."

THE POLITICS OF HATE

"The Politics of Hate and Race: Not in my County, Not in my Country!" So, wrote Mr. Joseph Khoury in an essay he submitted as evidence and background material to Federal Election Commissioner Lawrence Noble.

Copies of the essay were sent to Jim Nicholson, Chairman, of the National Republican Committee, calling for "sanctions" against Cook Barela. Why? Because I was a Republican congressional candidate and found out the truth about one of my opponents? Such sanctions, if such sanctions could be imposed, mean absolutely nothing to me.

I am a Republican because it is the party most closely aligned with my strong moral family values. I am a Republican because it is the party most aligned with my Hispanic culture and heritage. I am a Republican because it is the party most aligned with my Christian faith and beliefs. Although I am not strongly connected to my party, I realize there is much I can contribute to their leadership and strength, should I ever be elected to office. But I fear no sanctions that the Republican Party could ever try to impose upon me. The Republican Party does not own me or my soul.

The essay Mr. Khoury submitted is a labyrinth of half-truths that lead nowhere. His unsupported racist charges, deceitful innuendoes and lies have no merit. While I will respond only to those articles where Mr. Khoury makes reference to The Cook Barela for Congress Committee, due to the overall nature of Mr. Khoury's attack, I reserve the right to respond to the charges he has made about others as he unites us all as being involved in a six-legged conspiracy.

He charges that "The committee to elect Cook Barela to Congress was "an integral part of an elaborate multidimensional strategy of race baiting."

These are serious charges made by a former Republican congressional candidate. Khoury submitted a six-legged conspiracy theory. Scattered throughout his essay are charges of a conspiracy. The conspiracy supposedly involves Congressman Ken Calvert, his committee, his campaign manager, Congressman Ben Gilman, Congressman Jon Fox, Congressman Sonny Callahan, State Senator Ray Haynes, six prominent members of the Jewish Community in Riverside, the Chairman of the Riverside County Republican party, her husband, myself, my campaign treasurer and the Cook Barela for Congress Committee.

This conspiracy theory "worked in Riverside County," Khoury charges. It worked to defeat him through race baiting he insinuates. In the letter written to the chairman of the Republican Party Khoury makes a number of other unsupported charges, and then cries out that the charges are not sour grapes, that he is only seeking to stop racism in the Republican Party. As I have already stated in my previous defense, Mr. Khoury told me before the campaign began that he was going to use the race card in his race against Mr. Calvert. He shared that with hoping that I would not run. Now I am beginning to believe that all this was very cleverly and deliberately laid out. I shared those remarks and concerns with the press and many Republicans, I even warned Calvert's campaign committee about those statements. They were racist, and race baiting, I knew this was not going to be a clean race, but I was alarmed with what else I began to discover.

There are many alarming coincidences I discovered last year as a candidate running for congress. While I tried to disregard those troublesome coincidences, I found that my conscience would not allow me to shy away from the responsibility of seeking out the truth. I had to make a decision, disregard those troubling issues and just concentrate on the race, or use my experiences to find out the truth at the expense of taking time away from my campaign plans.

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED TO ME ON THE ROAD TO CONGRESS

Perhaps it is my natural curiosity as a former United States Marine, police officer, crime analyst, or as a Christian pastor who has studied the Middle East conflict on religious grounds. Or perhaps it was something I studied or have written about on the operational procedures of world terrorist organizations that bothered me. For whatever reason, there are some disturbing coincidences in what Mr. Khoury says and what the FEC and other public records reveal. This connection bears further investigation by the FEC or other United States federal agencies. I have submitted only part of those disturbing coincidences in my defense of the allegations charged against me. A systematic review of Khoury's campaign funding may very well reveal a national security concern. I was running for Congress but those disturbing coincidences were too bothersome to ignore as an American citizen. These charges submitted to the FEC by Khoury provided the door of responsibility to bring those concerns to the surface.

A SECRET AGENDA

By submission of his essay to the FEC, Mr. Khoury has secured a foundation from which he and others may launch a concentrated effort to deceive the public further by lies and false charges of racism in America. If there is a conspiracy, it did not involve me or my committee. If there is a conspiracy, it is one that involves national and international associations. If there is a conspiracy, it is very sinister and meant to use Riverside County and the citizens of Riverside as scapegoats and as a national example of racism. All for the direct purpose of securing political offices and personal gain by individuals with questionable character who are supported by ultra special interest Arab-American organizations.

If indeed this is the secret agenda of Mr. Khoury and his supporters, then we must question their loyalty. We do not need Arab-Americans or any other foreign born candidates with two passports in their pockets dictating their native country's policies and agendas while impersonating congressional representatives. After all it is The United States House of Representatives, not the House of the United Nations.

MY OPPONENT, YOUR OPPONENT, EVERYONE'S OPPONENT

In paragraph five of the front page of that essay, Mr. Khoury quotes Mr. Calvert: "Unlike my opponent, I was born and raised in Riverside County".

"Mr. Calvert," Khoury writes, "thought at the time that I was his only opponent despite the fact that Mr. Cook Barela, a Latino American, had already registered as a candidate."

Interesting enough, in the complaint filed with the FEC, Mr. Khoury's main contention is that The Cook Barela for Congress Committee was "an independent expenditure for the Calvert candidacy." He charges the committee broke FEC laws because it was not "independent" but was supposedly tactically coordinating efforts with the Calvert campaign.

If we take Mr. Khoury's former statement as true, that Calvert thought Mr. Khoury was his only opponent, while Mr. Khoury makes it a point here to state, that "Mr. Cook Barela, a Latino American, had already registered as a candidate." How then could my campaign be an independent expenditure of the Calvert candidacy or be tactically involved with Calvert, as Khoury charges, when Calvert, according to Khoury, did not know I was a registered candidate?

Mr. Khoury makes it a point, once again on page two, paragraph two, to state that certain "leaders, of the Jewish community in Riverside County," also seemed to have been involved in this conspiracy theory, among them, Mary Rubinstein, Nick Goldware, Herb Speigel, Dave Goldware, and Steve Platt

These leaders, according to Khoury's charge, were involved in a six-legged conspiracy, in "an integral part of elaborate multidimensional strategy of race baiting." Simply because they wrote a letter of support for the re-election of Congressman Ken Calvert? None of the Jewish leaders named that I was able to contact were aware of this so-called conspiracy. To be named a racist by Khoury was very harmful. "Minorities are not racist, but victims," said, one of those leaders. Some are considering legal action against Khoury and those associated with the slanderous statements made by Khoury in these documents.

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"We trust Ken Calvert and know that he is a loyal friend of the Jewish community.... We do not have the same faith in the opponent, who does not have the same roots in our community."

Mr. Khoury states in support of his conspiracy theory, that for these Jewish leaders, "Mr. Barela was not considered an opponent."

Mr. Khoury fails to mention that in that same letter, these same leaders of the Jewish Community had written, "His primary opponent, Sarkis Khoury, just moved into the district."

Now, I may not be a University Professor or a financial expert, but I do know that if there is an opponent that has been identified as a primary opponent, there must be at least one other opponent.

This type of distorted half-truths and lies are peppered throughout Mr. Khoury's charges and throughout this background essay. In this Mr. Khoury has insulted the Jewish community and its respectable leaders. He has slandered their good names and charged them with criminal conspiracy. Is it Mr. Khoury's goal to bring the Middle East conflict into the heartland? Is there a more sinister purpose for all this or it is just Mr. Khoury's irresponsible vanity getting in the way? If the latter is true, then he would have been a very poor representative in Congress.

These are, however, issues that must be addressed. They must be addressed since Mr. Khoury made it a point to include them in his charges of criminal conspiracy and these people's good names must be vindicated and this wrong must be made right.

In regard to this exhibit submitted by Mr. Khoury as evidence of a conspiracy, I am submitting two letters. Both were written in support of Khoury. The first was written by Lewis Lee Millett on May 21, 1998. He states in paragraph five:

"I am deeply concerned that your place of birth (Lebanon) is being used against you by your opponent. That is clearly not the American way." Here, Mr. Millett fails to recognize me, a recognized and decorated military veteran, as an opponent and only refers to Calvert. Does this make Mr. Millett racist or involved in a conspiracy?

In a similar letter dated the following day, May 22, 1998, Mr. Myrl C. Rupel informs his readers that he has researched the candidates for congress. He makes it a point to stress the research he has done to "know as much as possible about the candidates who ask us for our vote." Yet in the very next paragraph Mr. Rupel writes, "In the campaign for Congress, I have spent time reviewing what I can find about the records of both of the Republican candidates."

Both candidates. So much for research or checking out the credentials of an educator and former school board member running for congress. In the past few years over 70 articles have been written in regard to my involvement in "positive" educational issues in Riverside county at the local, county, state and federal levels. Yet this educator does not know this, or did he willfully exclude this third Republican candidate? Was it because I am Hispanic? Is he a racist or involved in a conspiracy? He continues in paragraph after paragraph, and only mentions Calvert. Finally on the other side of the letter, in the first paragraph Mr. Rupel writes:

"Then I looked at Joe Khoury, Mr. Calvert's opponent. And ...,"

Oh, well, I guess I didn't impress Mr. Rupel. "Calvert's opponent," only one opponent left out again. Another letter send out in the last days of the campaign by Khoury likewise, mentions only one opponent, Ken Calvert. Exhibit 17, reflects letters from Millett & Rupel and page five of Khoury's ten-page mailer (Exhibit 17).

THE FOURTH LEG OF THE CONSPIRACY

In the fourth leg of the conspiracy theory, Mr. Khoury submits exhibit IV, as evidence in support of his conspiracy theory. He was surprised at the:

"encouragement and support," I received from "Mr. Galen Walker, the husband of Kathy Walker, the chairperson of the Republican Central Committee of Riverside County, and a professed Khoury supporter, suddenly gave Mr. Cook Barela."

"The encouragement and support Mr. Galen Walker suddenly gave Mr. Cook Barela," is a powerful statement. If indeed it was sudden and it included Mrs. Kathy Walker, a professed Khoury Supporter.

However, if Mr. Khoury was involved locally in community affairs, and if he had indeed been involved in important Republican conservative issues in Riverside County, he would have known of Mr. Walker's background and the support and friendship Galen and I have enjoyed over the years.

Mr. Walker was quite supportive and fully involved in my State Assembly Race in 1992. I have attended and participated in a number of anti-abortion rallies and events that are the very heart of Mr. Walker's political commitments [I ached and prayed for him when he was arrested at an anti-abortion rally, because of the strong commitment he has for the rights of the unborn]. Mr. Galen Walker is a trusted and good Christian friend.

Another outright lie Khoury makes is when he states, "Kathy Walker, the chairperson of the Republican Central Committee of Riverside County, and a professed Khoury supporter, suddenly gave Mr. Cook Barela."

I don't know if Mr. Khoury wrote this statement to imply I had received Mrs. Walker's support or to point out he had received her support for congress. Khoury is a shrewd doublespeaking politician, "Kathy Walker, a professed Khoury supporter," he wrote.

I have never asked for Mrs. Kathy Walker's endorsement or support. I respect her position as Chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Riverside. I am an independent candidate, and have never asked anyone for his or her endorsement. I have always stood on my own merits and accomplishments. However, after receiving this complaint, I called Mrs. Walker and inquired if she was a Khoury supporter. Mrs. Walker denied ever supporting Khoury, her answer is depicted here and included (Exhibit 18).

Dated January 20, 1999

"To Whom It May Concern;

"I, Kathy Walker, Chairman of the Riverside County Republican Party, did not support Dr. Joe Khoury for Congress, or any other office, in the 1998 elections. Nevertheless, Dr. Khoury has used my name on several occasions insinuating my alleged support for his candidacy. I have conveyed my concern to him regarding this matter and requested that he not use my name in any way in conjunction with his campaigns for public office."

"Sincerely, Kathy Walker"

Khoury further quotes from Galen Walker's letter, ".... Joe Khoury holds dual citizenship in both the United States and in his native country, Lebanon. Frankly I would prefer that my congressman pledge allegiance to America only." Khoury responded by saying," This is what I did when I took the US citizenship oath."

Mr. Khoury, once again, left other information out. Galen Walker stated in his letter, "According to Cook Barela's research, Joe Khoury holds dual citizenship in both the United States and in His native country, Lebanon..." Mr. Walker was referring to information I made available to the press and the public right after Mr. Khoury called me a racist, attacked my campaign, my ethnicity and character.

Mr. Khoury's loyalty, his associations and financial support from questionable sources, are important issues the public has a right to know. No racism involved just honest, American concerns. I refuse to turn a blind eye to something that could have been an embarrassment to our communities and/or a national security issue had Mr. Khoury been elected. When individuals receive funds from organized associations that harbor strong Anti-American feelings, that have ties to Middle Eastern organizations who oppose American policies in the Middle East, I have a right to question that candidate's loyalty and commitment to America.

MR. KHOURY'S OATH STATEMENT

This is what I did when I took the US citizenship oath." Khoury answered, in regard to Mr. Walker's comment that he would prefer for his congressman to pledge allegiance to AMERICA only.

It is unfortunate that the oath of allegiance, required of all naturalized citizens has little practical effect since the Immigration and Naturalization Service doesn't ask new citizens whether they have retained the passport of their country of origin. It used to be when persons became a new citizen, they made it a point of turning in their old passport and going on with their new lives as Americans. The War of 1812 resulted primarily from Britain's refusal to recognize naturalization of its former subjects in America. When a new citizen chooses not to disassociate themselves from anti-American radical hate groups, especially those who defend terrorist organizations, then one should question their loyalty.

Today, certain loopholes exist in the law where a new citizen can claim dual citizenship. If arrested for crimes against the state, for national banking violations, or other high crimes, he can cry out to his former country to come to his rescue. Many of these former countries that continue to count them as citizens are doing just that. Dual citizenship allows foreign countries to influence our politics directly and indirectly. These hyphenated Americans may also be acquiring an ampersand: Lebanese & American rather than Lebanese-American, Mexican & American rather than Mexican-American.

As a Mexican-American I could accept dual citizenship with Mexico. However, I could not then serve in the United States House of Representatives and keep that dual citizenship status. Why? Because the Mexican government sees political office holders as a national security risk. Perhaps it is something America needs to look into. As was reported in the press, I believe all congressional candidates should be required to undergo a Federal Bureau of Investigation background check before they can be elected to public office. Our forefathers had no reservations in pledging allegiance to only one country and breaking all ties with any other country. Pledging their lives on this new found liberty, leaving the old behind, they signed "The Declaration of Independence!"

LIES, INACCURACIES, AND THE CONSUL GENERAL OF LEBANON

Mr. Khoury further states in reference to "The American Homefront" mailer, "Page 3 was full of lies and inaccuracies and erroneously quotes the consul general of Lebanon."

Mr. Khoury once again fails to point out those lies and inaccuracies. Is it because those lies and inaccuracies are true reproductions of FEC records?

The "American Homefront" does accurately report what a Lebanese Consulate officer stated. When asked about a Lebanese citizen running for congress, the officer said:

"He remains a citizen of Lebanon and of the United States. He can vote in elections in Lebanon, and, if he wants, run for political office in Lebanon. He can have two or more passports, if he wants to, that's all right with us. He has a Lebanese Identification card."

Those were his statements. They were not taken out of context, but written down as the official responded to questions posed. Three or more phone calls by myself and the press to the consulate office regarding these same questions on different days produced similar responses. These statements were reported in the mailer, not lies or inaccuracies. The consul general was not erroneously quoted as Mr. Khoury charges.

These are the policies and the laws of the Lebanese government They are the truth that apparently Khoury does not want the public to know. Perhaps it is because Khoury understands American culture and knows that it is not racism but American values and American patriotism that would question and demand to know who he would be representing. When ones sees who is financing Khoury's campaign and who is speaking out in his defense, then there is further cause for alarm.

A CITIZEN OF TWO COUNTRIES

The truth is Mr. Khoury does hold dual citizenship in two countries. He does carry two or more passports from at least two different countries, one of which is from the United States and another from Syrian controlled Lebanon. He has never surrendered his passport as citizens pledging their allegiance to the United States used to do of their own free will. Khoury's Lebanese citizenship require him to have an encoded Syrian issued Lebanese National identification card. That card allows him secured passage throughout Lebanon and Syria. His American passport would not.

Perhaps if Mr. Khoury had surrendered his passport as other Arab-American have done he would have been looked at disfavorably by Arab American associations and institutions who are actively engaged in electing Arab Americans to represent their Middle Eastern interest in the United States House of Representatives and in other high government offices. He would not be enjoying the financial support he receives from them.

This is not a racist remark as Khoury and his associates would have us believe. Attacks and well coordinated smear tactics leveled against anyone questioning their financial transactions or investigating their activities show that they are quite possibly hiding something more that bears investigation.

Unlike Khoury or Calvert, I have fought for our country. Khoury at nineteen years of age fled his country during its war years with Israel. I volunteered to fight for mine in the jungles of Vietnam. Marines died all around me in the battlefields of Southeast Asia. Some died in my place. All died believing in this country that sent us there, unlike, the questionable individual who stood in support of Joe Khoury and insinuated at a public debate forum that I and my fellow Marines had committed grave atrocities in combat. I would never stoop so low as to set up such a

hurtful, demeaning, anti-American assault. That was an offense against the honor of dedicated military servicemen who died defending his right to make those statements. Such negative comments about America's fighting men coming from a Khoury plant does raise questions concerning that candidate's loyalty to our country.

As an American, I have the right to question the integrity and loyalty of any individual running for public office. As an American who has fought for our country, I have earned that right. For that right to be labeled as "race baiting" and "racist" is the height of bigotry and Khoury has done that.

I have a right to question where Mr. Khoury obtained his campaign financing, regardless of his nationality. I have a right to question his association with organizations I know harbor Anti-American sentiments. I have a right to question Mr. Khoury's allegiances! By turning that inquiry around and labeling it as race baiting, Mr. Khoury hopes to prevent inquiries into his financial support and his allegiance as well as his association with those organizations. All Americans who have contributed to Mr. Khoury's campaign, regardless of their ethnicity, deserve to know the truth.

DUAL ALLEGIANCE

I am an American that happens to be of Mexican descent. Yet, I would not hesitate to question any Mexican American who would pledge allegiance to our country while still holding his former country's passport in their back pocket. That is the American way, to question those running for public office.

What made America great was individuals that broke ties with their native land and embraced the American dream-to be an American! That's the dream, not to just dip one's hand into its financial institutions and claim victory. After all it is the United States House of Representatives, not the Mexican or Lebanese House of Representatives. We have ambassadors for that purpose. We don't need another country's representative sitting in policy-making positions within our capitol's hallowed grounds.

Mr. Khoury's first recorded campaign contribution went to the AMERICANS FOR LEBANON PAC. Not Americans for America, but Arab-Americans for Lebanon. At thirty-five years of age, Khoury's thoughts are not on America, instead he enters the political arena by showing his commitment and loyalty to his former country-Lebanon.

As soon as Khoury officially entered American politics, among his first PAC contributors were THE AMERICAN TASK FORCE FOR LEBANON POLICY COUNCIL and AMERICANS FOR LEBANON POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (ALPAC). That first year he received over \$4,200.00 in PAC funding.

MAY FILING

Mr. Khoury mentions that I did not file "my candidacy with the FEC until May 14, 1998." That was the date required by law, once I qualified as a candidate according to FEC regulations. I complied with those regulations. Complying with FEC regulations is not cause for a conspiracy or to be called a racist or accused of race baiting.

ASSAULT ON DR. JAMES DOBSON'S ENDORSEMENT

One of the most blatant and totally disrespectful assaults that Mr. Khoury launched right after the campaign and has once again raised its head is Khoury's assault on the integrity of Doctor James Dobson. Mr. Khoury not only calls me a liar, he questions the integrity and motives of Dr. Dobson's endorsement of my candidacy.

The truth is Mr. Khoury never sought out Dr. Dobson's endorsement. It seems it is Khoury's practice is to attack anyone not supporting him or who supports a candidate he is running against. We have seen this in Khoury's attack on four congressmen, a state senator, a law-enforcement officer, five Jewish leaders and Mr. Walker who supported me.

Khoury wrote, "It will be interesting to know what lies were told Dr. James Dobson to give his endorsement to someone like Cook Barela. This endorsement mystified everyone as I am a family man who was never divorced and who has wonderful children who are outstanding citizens. I am pro-life and pro-family: two critical issues for Dr. Dobson."

What arrogance! Mr. Khoury's statement, "to someone like Cook Barela," is slanderous, degrading, and full of hatred. Khoury knows absolutely nothing about me or my Christian convictions, yet here he attacks my Christianity, my Christian convictions, beliefs and the endorsement I received from a well-known Christian commentator.

As I have already mentioned, I have never asked anyone for their endorsement. When Dr. James Dobson chose to endorse me of his own free will, I welcomed that endorsement without reservation. Why did Dr. Dobson endorse me? Was it because I am a decorated Vietnam War veteran? A recognized public servant? An evangelical Christian? A graduate of Fuller Theological Seminary? Was it because of my patriotic and moral views? Because I support the same biblical views on the sanctity of life and marriage? Because I am a pastor? Or perhaps it was just because nothing negative was said about me. Doctor Dobson's press release mentioned his endorsement was based on my family values. I welcomed the endorsement.

I do, however, question what lies the Khoury campaign told to Mr. Maddox, Dr. Dobson's representative, after the election.

LIES, HALF-TRUTHS, KHOURY AND THE CONSERVATIVE VOICE

I became aware of Mr. Khoury's bitterness over Dr. Dobson's endorsement immediately after it was announced. He and his campaign workers immediately launched a very concentrated effort through one of Khoury's supporters with a relative working in Dr. Dobson's office to ask Dr. Dobson to withdraw that endorsement. Joe Khoury's campaign workers called, faxed letters and threatened to withdraw financial support of Dr. Dobson's ministries, simply because he had endorsed my candidacy (Exhibit 19).

While I value Dr. Dobson's endorsement, I regret the attack his ministry experienced from the Khoury committee because of that endorsement. Politics, like war, often dispatches warriors into the trenches. It is there we often find ourselves pinned down by assault after assault. Often in the

rice paddies of Vietnam, all we could do was wait for the firing to cease or until help arrived. As Marines, we were never trained to retreat.

The assault levied against Dr. Dobson's ministry is the type of hate and vengeful encounters I have discovered in the aftermath of the campaign. It is found in all of Khoury's campaigns. A month after the election, the Conservative Voice published a very damaging, slanderous, mean spirited and misleading article about me in regard to the Dobson endorsement. The story was published without contacting me for comment or asking for my response before publication. One would ask why the assault after the race had been lost by both Khoury and me? Was it because I dared to run for public office which is my American right? Or, was it because I dared to speak the truth?

I question what Khoury reported as having come from Mr. Maddox and in what was reported in the Conservative Voice Newsletter. We have already established that Khoury has lied in this declaration and in the other statements he has made in filing these charges.

When I contacted Mr. Maddox regarding these charges, I received a completely different response than what was reported here and in the story that ran in the Conservative Voice. While Khoury's and the Conservative Voice's distorted remarks are demeaning and insulting, Mr. Maddox did not substantiate those sentiments. However, I don't believe Dr. James Dobson, who believes that life begins at conception, would support Joe Khoury's views on abortion.

There was, however, another more disturbing pattern that surfaced from the aftermath of the Dobson endorsement. That ministry was immediately bombarded with telephone calls and faxes calling for Dobson to withdraw the endorsement. Threats of contributors withdrawing their monthly support to that ministry continued until they received remarks such as, the endorsement was "a major mistake," an error they were "anxious to rectify." This was followed by verbal commitments that it "would not happen again." We find here a pattern similar to what Arab organizations have set up. With a few strategically located phone banks, within hours a series of phone calls and faxes can be unleashed upon an unsuspecting group of people or organization.

SIMILAR INCIDENT

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Journalist Jeff Jacoby wrote of a similar incident following the US raids on Osama Bin Laden's terrorist facilities in Sudan and Afghanistan last August. Anti-terrorist expert, Steven Emerson was interviewed on the popular National Public Radio talk show, "Talk of the Nation." That interview was quickly condemned by Arab organizations that bombarded the station with calls and faxes. The verbal assault continued until the network caved in and Ali Abunimah, leader of the Chicago-based Arab American Action Network, was assured that there had been a "mistake," and that "it won't happen again." Emerson soon found himself blacklisted, much like Khoury called for sanctions against me by the Republican Party. This same activity pattern was generated against me, following James Dobson's endorsement. These similarities are too alike to ignore (Exhibit 20).

THE ARAB CAMPAIGN CONNECTION

Mr. Khoury further charges that the "American Homefront," with its insert titled, "The Arah Campaign Connection," was full of lies and innuendoes, but once again fails to state the lies and

innuendoes. The correct title to that story was, "The Arab-American Connection, Lebanon's Financial support for Congressional Campaigns as Reported in the Spectator. Al Gore's Arab Moneyman.

That story has enjoyed substantial support by a majority of informed Lebanese Americans that are true conservatives. Americans from Lebanon seeking their country's freedom from the Syrian government. They abhor all the lies and misrepresentation Dr. Zogby and others supporting Mr. Khoury here and elsewhere are propagating. The story inserted into the "American Homefront" refers to Dr. James Zogby's connection to Middle East monetary contributions funneled into US congressional campaigns (Exhibit 9).

Most recently Zogby called on Arab states to reinvigorate the secondary boycott against Israel, which aims to deter U.S. companies by threatening to ban them from contracts in the Arab world if they do business in Israel. Both James Zogby and American Muslim Council (AMC) chairman Abdulrahman Alamoudi have been accused by PLO chairman Yasir Arafat of supporting the military wing of Hamas, the radical Islamic group that has claimed responsibility for a recent suicide bombing in Israel.

Both James Zogby and DNC foreign fund-raiser Edward M. Gabriel serve as executive committee members of the Pro-Syrian <u>AMERICAN TASK FORCE FOR LEBANON</u> POLICY COUNCIL. The ATFL remains on the list of officially recognized Lebanese organizations by the Syrian-controlled Lebanese government of billionaire Rafic Hariri. Both the American Muslim Council (AMC) and ATFL surfaced in this race to endorse the Zogby/Khoury "Call for Fairness & Inclusion" doctrine (Exhibit 12).

THE KHOURY/ZOGBY ARAB-CONNECTION

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What is interesting is that in all this, Khoury continues to plead that there is no Zogby connection. He refuses to recognize publicly his association and ties with Mr. Zogby. "Mr. Barela, targeting only me and never the incumbent, failed to note that I am not a member of any Arab organization and have not accepted money from any organization. And, I had not asked any organization to intercede on my behalf in the aftermath of the Slevin comments. Those who responded did so on their own."

We have already established Khoury has indeed received PAC funds from these associations. Now Khoury wishes us to believe he did not ask Dr. James J. Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute or Hala Maksoud of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, to intercede on his behalf. When the story broke concerning Mr. Slevin's comments, Zogby and Maksoud, with their offices in Washington D.C., responded almost immediately by fax with support for Khoury.

Dr. James L. Zogby is the treasurer of Arab American Leadership Political Action Committee that donated funds to Khoury's campaign last December. It appears he is also the author of Mr. Khoury's five-page essay.

While Mr. Khoury disputes his association with Arab extremist James Zogby, the complaint filed against me and my committee to the FEC by Khoury can be found almost verbatim in a

newspaper story written on June 23, 1998 by Dr. James J. Zogby for the Daily Star. The story under the title, "Bigotry against an Arab American candidate," is enclosed as background information for consideration (Exhibit 21).

Indeed, it was Zogby that called for Republican leadership intervention against Calvert and apparently myself as well as indicated by Khoury's letter of racist complaint sent to the Republican chairman (May 7, 1989, Press Enterprise news story, Exhibit 8).

Zogby has a long record of extreme anti-Israel statements. For example, Zogby accused the Israeli government under Shimon Peres of "state terrorism" defended Hezbollah terrorists as "the Lebanese armed resistance" urged Arab states to intensify their boycott of Israel and denounced the 1995 anti-terrorism directive as "McCarthyism." (Exhibit 21b)

Enclosed with exhibit 21 is another revealing document circulated among Arab Americans with strong Middle Eastern interests that boldly reveals a systematic fund channeling enterprise bent on electing Arab-Americans to political office. These are the same individuals that have now united to condemn racism because of the Riverside campaign and have launched a "Call for Fairness & Inclusion" on behalf of Khoury and for the purpose of denouncing Arab Baiting, based on the false charges Khoury makes here (Exhibit 21c).

WE HAVE BEEN HAD

We have been had! Joe Khoury a first-generation Arab American political activist, came to Riverside. Without taking the time to become involved in our community, he took out a flute and started to play a tune he found Republican leaders in Riverside liked to dance to. Those same Republican leaders were so blinded by their hatred of an unpopular Congressman that, without question, they believed all the lies Khoury told. Khoury divided the Republican Party in Riverside, brought racism and bigotry into our communities, attacked respected Jewish leaders then called us all bigots. Khoury did the same thing to the Hispanic community and is now involved in dividing Arab-Americans by fabricating charges of hate and racism where there is none. Should Mr. Khoury reach out to kiss you on the cheek, guard your socks.

Is there a conspiracy? Probably, but not in my agenda. What I have introduced here in defense of these charges has come from the compilation of evidence that shows a lot of circumstances, all leading toward a questionable link with Anti-American Arab-American associations.

Mr. Khoury's statements are full of false accusations. The information he has provided to the FEC does not support an FEC violation by the Cook Barela for Congress Committee. These charges are at best just a vindictive individual that is seeking to blame others because the majority of registered voters in Riverside County have thrice refused to grant him the congressional power and prestige he seeks. The only other question would be that there does exist a more sinister motive behind all these charges that may prove to be very harmful to the welfare of our country in the years ahead.

Khoury charges the committee and myself with certain FEC violations. Among them, a conspiracy theory, receiving illegal campaign contributions, as well as charges of lies, racism, bigotry, and other vial accusations that are slanderous, libelous and harmful to my integrity as a

Christian pastor. It is offensive to other respectable members involved in my committee and to the registered voters of Riverside County. These are all lies meant to deceive the FEC and others and can only serve another purpose, which we can expect to resurface in the next national election.

DROP THE CHARGES & BEGIN KHOURY'S INVESTIGATION

I ask that all the charges against The Cook Barela for Congress Committee be dropped. I also ask that the evidence against Khoury that has been submitted in defense of those charges be investigated as they do support some very serious FEC Act violations by Mr. Sarkis Joseph Khoury, his treasurer, and his committees.

Whatever else may come of this investigation, the truth remains. There is no substance to the charges filed against me or my committee. I have never made a racist remark against Mr. Khoury or Arab-Americans. This attack upon me is not without precedence. These charges follow a pattern that Arab organizations operating in the United States have undertaken. They have launched a verbal Jihad to try to silence the first amendment rights of those who criticize or investigate their activities. They have now united under the "Call for Fairness & Inclusion" banner to smear any individual's good name, and to intimidate their supporters by making false charges of racism and discrimination. These tactics have worked well in Lebanon and in other Middle East countries, and they hope they will be as successful here in America.

As Jonathan S. Tobin, writing for the Jewish World Review, stated on Sept. 4, 1998, "Unfortunately, in their effort to halt discrimination, these same groups have chosen not to disassociate themselves from the excesses of Islamic fundamentalism and Arab nationalism in the Middle East. Indeed, some of these same Arab and Muslim anti-defamation groups such as the Council of American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (AAADC), have become the most important defenders of Hamas and Islamic Jihad in the United States. Even worse, they have taken the task of smearing anyone who speaks out against these groups or investigates their activities" (Exhibit 22).

CLOSING REMARKS

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Americans participating as world citizens should not come at the expense of forfeiting our nationalism. Yielding the power of our hard won Democracy and its supportive institutions, for which so many American patriots have paid the ultimate price, is not in the best interest of our nation. A "Collusion" under the semblance of "Fairness & Inclusion" by individuals that advocate the interests of a region of the world which is characterized by many third world states that are dominated by kings and dictators, and a religion that is in itself "the government" appears to be a serious threat. Any person, association or institution that claims to be an adversary to the enemies of our "American" way of life, while embracing the financial support and camaraderie of those powerful individuals and cultures who oppose free religion, our democratic way of life, and the rights of women, demands eternal vigilance.

A recent press release by The United States Committee For A Free Lebanon, recently called Zogby and those associated in these type of practices as "hired guns" and "these pseudo 'lobbyists' have no right of high jacking the heritage of the Lebanese Americans_"

"It is a well known fact that they don't even represent 1,000 individuals all combined" (Exhibit 23).

I have over thirty years of distinguished public service, as a United States Marine in service to our country, as a law enforcement officer, an elected public official and as a non-denominational Christian minister. To be called a racist and liar by Khoury and those that embrace the enemies of our country because I dared to seek out the truth in regard to their campaign funding and associations only makes me more determined to expose these corrupt campaign practices. They have no place in American politics and in our form of government.

Mr. Khoury, in bringing these false, malicious and frivolous racist charges against me, has insulted my integrity as a Christian pastor. He has scoffed at my Christian practices, profaned my military service and desecrated the memory of honorable men that served our country and paid the ultimate price of freedom. Khoury scorned at the oath I took in seeking to serve my country as a United States Representative. He purposely misconstrued my commitments to my community and my country. He has chosen to seek the assistance of individuals that have lobbied against American interest, in the Middle East, sheltered, assisted, praised and participated in helping Middle East terrorist organizations that have destroyed the government of Lebanon from within. Do I have a right to question his allegiance?

The issue may be more problematic when one considers what one Lebanese national said, "No one in Lebanon will talk about the reality. Our government is not a government. Syrian intelligence forces are controlling this country. We are moving toward a police state. Here in Lebanon, there are masters and servants. Lebanese government officials are the servants of Syria." Today those same forces are determined to do the same to Israel and here, in America, Khoury calls me a racist because I question the financial and political support he is receiving from those individuals, associations and institutions. Khoury questioned my religious convictions and practices, called me a liar, bigot, and racist. I can only wonder, was it because of his own selfish and political ambitions, or is it that he truly does have torn allegiances between two countries, Lebanon and Syria.

"I have never denied the truth of the Scriptures and I have never spoken with intentional disrespect of religion in general, or of any denomination of Christians in particular. ... I do not think I could, myself, be brought to support a man for office whom I knew to be an open enemy of, and scoffer at, religion. Leaving the higher matter of eternal consequences between him and his Maker, I still do not think any man has the right thus to insult the feelings, and injure the morals, of the community in which he may live. ..."

President Abraham Lincoln, 1846

R.M. COOK BARELA

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EXHIBIT 1

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January 14, 1999

Mr. Alva E. Smith Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Dear Mr. Smith:

I just received today copies of your correspondence dated October 5, 1998 indicating that the Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that the Cook Barela for Congress Committee and me as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Act of 1971.

I became associated with the Cook Barela for Congress Committee in early May 1998 and my activities were confined to the functional role as treasurer. Having briefly read the complaint, I can truthfully state that I had no knowledge of the Cook Barela for Congress Committee pursuing anything other than victory over both Ken Calvert and Joe Khoury. Further, I have no knowledge of any cooperative tactics between the Ken Calvert campaign and the Cook Barela campaign.

Having little interest in the details of the voluminous complaint from Mr. Khoury coupled with my knowledge of the correctness of my activities with respect to the Cook Barela campaign, I have little inclination to address each and every charge contained therein. However, in order to simplify any research you or your office need to undertake, I will make every effort to cooperate with any written or verbal requests for information.

As evidenced by the length of time between the actual mailing of the notification and my actual receipt, I encourage you to direct any correspondence intended for me to the following address:

Automated Accounting 12625 Frederick Street, Suite I5255 Moreno Valley, CA 92553

Additionally, I can be contacted over the phone at (909) 653-5053.

Sincerely,

Gary Capolino

cc: Cook Barela

EXHIBIT 2

Emple The Sun

THURSDAY

May 19,

1988 * *

L.A. police officer aims for Rep. Brown's seat

By HARVEY FEIT
Sun Political Editor

Police Officer Refugio M. "Cook" Barela of Riverside figures he has a good base in the 36th District if he faces Rep. George E. Brown Jr. in November. One-quarter of the population is Hispanic.

Barela's problem is that he might not be around in November. Most Hispanics are Democrats—and Barela is running for the Republican nomination.

To win in the June 7 primary, he has to overcome San Bernardino businessman John Paul Stark, a three-time winner of the nomination, and Claremont businesswoman Dorothy R. Davis, stockbroker Robert M. Kerns of Colton and real estate broker Doug Graham of Riverside.

The 36th District takes in much of San Bernardino and Riverside, Bloomington, Colton, Fontana, part of Grand Terrace, part of Highland, Muscoy, part of Ontario, Rialto and Rubidoux.

Barela's ancestry is not the only thing he has going to support his candidacy. As a board member of the Jurupa Unified School District, he's the only elected official in the field and is pastor of the Sunnyslope Community Church.

He founded the Christian Awareness Crusade in 1976, a campaign he supports with sermons and writings on Christianity, terrorism, substance abuse and AIDS. He served four years in the Marines, including combat

duty in Vietnam, and was a sergeant when discharged.

An officer in the Los Angeles Police Department, Barela wants to hold the user responsible in the war on drugs.

"He is just as guilty, as dangerous as the drug seller," Barela said. "As long as the user is out there, there's going to be a market. As long as there's a market, our next generation is in danger."

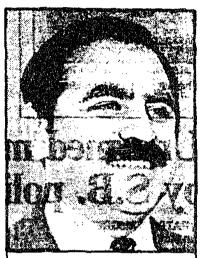
He'd like to stiffen the law to make it possible to confiscate vehicles when drugs and weapons are found in them. He'd combine that with a blanket 10 p.m. curfew, after which vehicles could be stopped and searched without probable cause.

Barela, who participated in the gang "sweeps" in Los Angeles, said drastic measures are required to bring gang and drug problems under control.

Barela said he would give the peace process a chance in Nicaragua for two years. In the interim he would permit Nicaraguan refugees and Contras to enlist in the U.S. armed forces with the opportunity to obtain citizenship in six years. If democracy is not restored in Nicaragua, he'd release the refugees and Contras "to gain back their own country."

If elected, he would push for commuter trains from San Bernardino and Riverside to Los Angeles and Orange counties.

He supports more money for education, higher pay for teachers and federal incentives to encourage people to go into teaching. In order to reduce class sizes from kindergarten to second



R.M. Barela

- □ Age: 39.
- ☐ Residency: Riverside
- ☐ Occupation: Officer for Los Angeles Police Department
- ☐ Family: Wife, Marylu; five daughters, two sons
- ☐ Edwcation: Attended Cerritos College and East Los Anceles Junior College
- ☐ Offices: Board member,
 Jurupa Unified School District;
 County Juvenile Justice
 and Delinquency Prevention
 Commission

grade, he would increase class sizes in the upper grades.

To reduce the deficit, he would put a temporary freeze on increased spending and see if the functions of some government agencies could be turned over to private industry. Among the agencies: the Postal Service and, possibly, the Coast Guard.

He opposes abortion, unless the woman's life is threatened. He also opposes trade protection measures. He strongly supports the strategic defense initiative.

"Cook in Congress '88"
2997 Aztec Drive
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Bilingual Republican pursues mainstream voter, not just Hispanic

By DAVID BOYLES
The Press-Enterprise

R. M. "Cook" Barela, a bilingual Hispanic Republican candidate in the 36th Congressional District, said he plans to aggressively pursue the Hispanic vote during the primary campaign, but he is not making it his sole quest.

"I want to represent the needs of the district as a whole," Barela said in a recent interview.

Hispanics make up 20 percent to 25 percent of the district's estimated population of more than 660,000, which translates into a fair number of Hispanic votes. Barela said he believes many Hispanics have not yet realized that conservative Republican ideals coincide, in his view, with many of their desires.

"Hispanics want their children educated for a better life," Barela said, adding that family values also are priorities among Hispanics.

Barela was quick to reiterate that he does not intend to run a one-sided campaign or favor one faction of the 36th District's constituency over others. He pointed to factors he hopes will enable him to leap ahead of the other four Republicans in the primary race.

In Barela's view, his longtime employment as a Los Angeles police officer lends credibility to his emphasis on law and order issues.

He said his additional responsibilities as a police chaplain make him a leader on moral issues.

His combat service in Vietnam, he said, has helped foster strong feelings about national defense and the need to check the spread of communism.

Barela said his position as an elected member of the Jurupa Unified School District board of trustees demonstrates his political experience and makes his voice an important one on educational issues

"Education is my No. 1 priority," said Barela, a high school dropout who later completed his secondary education and attended college.

Barela, the son of parents who originally came from Mexico, was born in New Mexico and grew up in Casa Grande, Ariz. After leaving high school in the 11th grade to work in the fields of California's San Joaquin Valley, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He served three years, which included 13 months in Vietnam as a machine-gunner.

During his military career, Barela earned his high school equivalency certificate. Later he attended Cerritos College and East Los Angeles College.

A Los Angeles police officer since 1971, Barela currently works as a patrolman in the Watts area, an area plagued by recent gang activity.

In 1985, Police Chief Daryl Gates appointed Barela a department chaplain, whose responsibilities are to counsel other officers. The department has four other chaplains.

Barela and his wife, Marylu, have five daughters ranging in age from 2 to 9. Barela has two older sons, 15 and 20, from his first marriage, which ended in divorce. Barela said he enjoys photography as a pastime.

He is a member of several civic, political, justice, veterans and Christian organizations. Barela's campaign literature describes him as having lectured "primarily on four subjects: Christianity, terrorism, substance abuse and AIDS."

"I've laid some very good foundations, I believe, for the office," Barela said in the interview. "I've prepared myself."

Barela said the longtime incumbent, Rep. George E. Brown Jr., D-Riverside, is too liberal to represent the 36th District.

Barela recalled an incident that he said fueled his desire to challenge Brown. He said that on a trip to Washington, D. C., he went to visit Brown, whose interests include science and technol-

(See BARELA, Page B-6)

Barela ...

(From Page B-1) ogy, and noticed on the congressman's office wall a picture of a Soviet fighter plane.

"It irked me," Barela said.
Barela said he so far is running his primary election campaign out of his home and plans to solicit and spend about \$25,000 to \$35,000.

His volunteer campaign manager is Jim Fatland of Ontario, a senior executive analyst for the San Bernardino County administrative office. Fatland said he worked on the 1984 campaign of John Paul Stark, one of the other Republicans in this year's primary race. Stark, a San Bernardino insurance agent, is making his fourth bid for Congress. He lost to Brown in the 1980, 1982 and 1984 general elections. He sat out the 1986 race.

In addition to Barela and Stark, three other Republicans are seeking the GOP nomination in the primary: Dorothy R. Davis of Claremont, a businesswoman and civic and political activist; B. Douglas "Doug" Graham of Riverside, an investment property consultant and former military pilot; and Robert M. Kerns of Colton, an investment adviser and stockbroker

Brown, the Democratic incumbent, is being challenged in the primary by James D. Sparks of Riverside, an unemployed former insurance underwriter and truck driver.

The Riverside County portion of the 36th District is composed of parts of Riverside, including neighborhoods in the Arlington, Casa Blanca and Eastside areas; and the unincorporated communities of Glen Avon, Pedley, Rubidoux and Highgrove.

The San Bernardino County portion of the district includes San Bernardino, Fontana, Colton, Rialto and Ontario, and smaller areas of unincorporated territory adjacent to Fontana and Rialto, including the communities of Bloomington and Crestmore.

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Candidate gets into the swim

By HARVEY FEIT Sun Political Editor

In the three years he's lived in Riverside, R.M. "Cook" Barela has plunged into community affairs with gusto.

He won a seat on the board of the Jurupa Unified School District in 1985, when he received the most votes among nine candidates, and served as the board's elerk and president. He's pastor of the Sunnyslope Community Church, chairman of the Jurupa Veterans Home Committee, a member of the County Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission and the Jurupa Chamber of Commerce.

All in all, he' a member of a lozen or so organizations.

Now he's running for Congress.

Barela, 39, a traffic accident investigator and chaplain for the Los Angeles Police Department, s in the crowd running for the GOP nomination in the 36th Disrict of Rep. George E. Brown Jr., D-Riverside.

The Republican candidates, at the last count, included San Bernardino businessman John Paul Stark, who already has won the nomination three times; Dorothy R. Davis, a Claremont businesswoman; James C. Norton of Fontana, an aircraft engineering planner; Eugene D. Richau of Fontana, a manager; and Robert M. Kerns, a Riverside businessnan. The nomination period renains open until March 11.

Barela concedes he's not too well known in the San Bernardino County portion of the district out hopes his opposition to the Rialto tire-burning plant, the Miliken incineration project and the Kaiser hazardous waste treat-



R.M. "Cook" Barela In the race

ment plant will win him friends and votes.

If elected, he would push for commuter trains from San Bernardino and Riverside to Los Angeles and Orange counties to reduce air pollution. And he would fine the South Coast Air Quality Management District for failing to impose regulations which would enable the area to meet federal clean air standards.

He supports more money for education, higher pay for teachers and federal incentives to encourage people to go into teaching. He would increase class sizes from third grade and beyond, if necessary, to reduce class sizes from kindergarten to second grade so that children get off to a good start in school.

Barela grew up in Casa Grande, Ariz., and left school in the 11th grade. He served four years in the Marines, including combat duty in Vietnam, and was a sergeant when discharged. He attended Cerritos College and East Los Angeles Junior College.

He founded the Christian Awareness Crusade in 1976, a campaign he is supporting with sermons and writings on Christianity, terrorism, substance abuse and AIDS.

Barela and his wife, Marylu, have five daughters; he has two sons from a prior marriage.

Four in GOP race By HARVEY FEIT

Sun Political Editor

John Paul Stark already faces four rivals for the Republican nomination in the 36th District more than he went against in 1980, 1982 and 1984 when he won the GOP primary election in the 36th Congressional District.

They are Refugio M. Barela of Riverside, a Los Angeles police officer and board member of the Jurupa Unified School District: Dorothy R. Davis, a Claremont businesswoman; James C. Norton of Fontana, an aircraft engineering planner; and Eugene D. Richau of Fontana, a business general manager.

The already crowded field in the GOP contest reflects a feeling by some candidates that they have a chance to upset Stark because of his three defeats by Brown.

However, only Barela has a political base or name recognition on which to build his candidacy. A Riverside resident only three years, Barela, 39, has served on the Jurupa school board two years and is its past president. He has been active in the community and in opposing tire shredding plants in Sunnyslope and Rialto.

> Barela plans to campaign for commuter trains to help cut down air pollution and for more federal

funds to raise teacher salaries and to provide incentives to attract more people to teaching....

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Candidate Barela's philosophy: You have to earn it



David Bauman/The Press-Enterprise R.M. "Cook" Barela, Republican candidate in the 43rd Congressional district, preaches a church sermon at Little Things Nursery in Rubidoux.

► His outlook is based on his life experience.

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise The overcast Mother's Day clouds part over R.M. "Cook" Barela as a warm sun envelops the pastor and

35 worshipers gathered on a Jurupa driveway for a Sunday sermon.

Barela, minister of a home church and a Republican candidate for Congress, is talking about his mom. He tells

those in the gathering about the family home made out of corrugated aluminum and cardboard at the Arizona garbage dump where his father was caretaker. He tells them about his father's death at the hands of a drunken driver, leaving his mother to look after 13 children.

"She taught me that no matter what you

want in life, you have to earn it yourselt, says Barela, 49.

Right now, Barela is trying to earn a sen in Congress.

Late in the game, Barela decided the jump into the Republican primary in the 43rd Congressional District where Republican Calvert, R-Corona, is trying to fend of challenges from Barela and UC Riverside finance Professor Joe Khcury.

Barela readily admits that his chances of defeating Calvert aren't good, but he says the battle could help him lay the groundwork for future campaigns.

"My husband doesn't do anything hal way," says his wife of 20 years, Marylu, shibrarian at Jurupa Middle School. "That's Please see **BARELA, B**-:

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Continued from **B-1** why we have five kids."

Barela's base of operations is a windowless office in his garage, filled with books on religion and politics.

There, drinking cup after cup of black coffee, Barela spends hours cruising the Internet for information on his opponents, issues before Congress, and Vietnam, where he spent 13 long months of his life.

Refujio M. Barela was the Arizona-born seventh son among 13 siblings. His brother nicknamed him "Cookie," which he now shortens to "Cook."

In Vietnam, the 19-year-old U.S. Marine melted three machine guns fighting the North Vietnamese and was one of just seven members in his 47-man platoon to escape serious injury or death in a fierce 1967 battle.

Barela has spent part of his retirement writing a nonfiction book about his experience in Vietnam, which documents what he calls his loss of innocence.

"In the beginning, I never really tried to kill the enemy," Barela said. "I just wanted them to stop shooting at us."

On his return to the United States Barela landed in Fresno, where he took care of a sister who was dying of cancer and joined the sheriff's department.

He eventually joined the Los Angeles Police Department, where he served 21 years as a patrol officer, crime analyst and chaplain. Barela, who has two children from a previous marriage, moved with his family to Riverside in 1985.

That year, Barela was elected to the Jurupa Unified School Board and served there for four years. His current campaign represents his third bid for state or federal office.

In 1988 Barela unsuccessfully sought the Republican nomination to challenge Democratic Rep. George Brown in what was then the 36th Congressional District. Four years later Barela came in second to Republican Ted Weggetand in the GOP primary in the 64th Assembly District centered in Riverside.

Barela received extensive financial support in 1992 from conserva-

43rd Congressional District

Three candidates, including the incumbent, are seeking the Republican nomination.

R.M. "Cook" Barela

Age: 49

Family: Married with seven children, two from a previous marriage.

Occupation: Retired Los Angeles police officer; pastor of home church.

Education: Master's degree in Christian leadership from Fuller Theological Seminary. Professional and community activities: Member,

American Legion; member, Vietnam Veterans of America; commander, VFW Post 10271; chairman, Jurupa Veterans Home Committee; chairman, Jurupa Christmas Canned

Food Drive; board member, Jurupa YMCA.

Hobbles: Painting, surfing the Internet.



The Press-Enterprise

tive Republicans in Orange County who provided most of his campaign money. The links prompted Weggeland, who went on to represent the district for four years, to label Barela "a tool of right-wing extremists."

Barela's latest foray into politics has been greeted with skepticism by some of the conservatives who might otherwise be his natural support base.

When Barela sought to place a paid ad in The Conservative Voice monthly newspaper, editor Shirlee Pigeon rejected his request. Pigeon, who has received \$10,000 through her public relations firm from Barela opponent Khoury for work on his campaign, said she was concerned that Barela would siphon off conservative votes from Khoury and could hurt his chances of beating Calvert.

In fact, Barela has devoted most of his time and energy to criticizing Khoury rather than Calvert.

The retired police officer has sought to raise questions about Khoury's loyalty to the United States because he has received financial support from Arab-Americans and Lebanon still considers him a citizen even though he is a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Khoury has denounced such criticism as outrageous and said his loyalty to America, where he has lived 32 of his 51 years, is not in question.

Barela said he probably agrees with Calvert two-thirds of the time but thinks the three-term congressman isn't an independent voice in Washington.

"He's not a leader," Barela said of Calvert. "He caters more to the needs of his party than to this community."

Barela said that if he is elected to Congress he would want to use his military and law enforcement experience to focus on national security issues. He believes all members of Congress should be forced to undergo security checks before they take office.

On other issues, Barela said he would carry legislation that would make it a crime for doctors to perform abortions and opposes many gun control measures backed by his fellow law enforcement colleagues.

Even though he is a conservative, Barela's personal history has influenced his views on some issues.

Barela fondly remembers the welfare worker who checked on his family after his father died when he was 4 years old. Welfare money helped his mother keep their family together, he said.

The Republican-led Congress has gone too far, he said, in placing time limits on welfare.

"I think our hearts have gone cold there," said Barela. But he said he agreed with language in the law that prevents legal immigrants from receiving welfare.

Barela's Hispanic roots (his mother's family came from Mexico) also have influenced his views on bilingual education, which he opposes.

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To: The Conservative Voice Newspaper April 3, 1998

From: Congressional Candidate, R.M. "COOK" BARELA Phone 361-1802

Christian Minister, Cook Barela in 43rd Congressional race

While many candidates speak about making a difference, Republican conservative, R.M. "Cook" Barela has made a difference representing and serving his community before local, state and national legislators. He is known for his continuous involvement in important community issues. He was elected to the Board of Education of the Jurupa Unified School District in 1985, but lost his re-election bid in 1989 by 22 votes to newspaper/owner publisher David Barnes.

In 1988, Barela challenged three times defeated John Paul Stark for the Republican nomination to run against liberal congressman George Brown where he came in third in a field of five candidates. In 1992, Barela came in second in the Republican primary for State Assembly.

"I abhor mudslinging and political assaults that weaken the public's image of our American institutions. I lost two elections not because the other candidate was better qualified, but because the public was deceived and real issues were never debated. I will have nothing to do with tactics that delude public confidence in the office I am elected to represent. Holding elected officials accountable for their actions or in-actions is what representation and leadership is all about. I have done that locally and will do so in Congress."

Barela has lived in Riverside for 13 years. He is an ordained minister and writer. In 1992, Barela retired from the Los Angeles Police Department where he had served as a field Patrol officer before becoming a crime analyst and department Chaplain. Barela has a Master's Degree in Christian Leadership from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena.

"Character, Integrity, and honestly does count in public service and everyday life. I have trained pastors for Christian ministry and it's important we all do what is biblically right. That is what I will take to Washington."

"Our county is suffering from a lack of moral and respectable leadership. Our representatives seem more interested in holding the party line than in upholding what the United States Constitution demands of its representatives. The Republican Party represents what I believe in, but it is moving away from what made the party great. That's a concern of mine and one of the reasons I'm running for Congress.

"Of the original 65 members of Congress, five of them were clergymen. Other clergymen have since served as Congressmen, but today there are none. Our founding fathers were committed to God, their families and to our country. That's why this nation has enjoyed God's grace. We must return to those American family values, perhaps then, our educational, judicial and moral strength will return."

To reach Cook Barela, call 1-800-706-VOTE or e-mail him at <u>USCongress@Hotmail.com</u>. His WebPage will soon be on line. CC: Press Enterprise

COOK BARELA

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APRIL 22, 1998

PRESS RELEASE

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"The Conservative News & Views "The Conservative Voice" Refuses to Publish"

<u>The Conservative Voice</u> Newspaper refuses to print conservative views of Christian Conservative Congressional Candidate R.M. COOK BARELA

"Cook, I wish you weren't in this race, you shouldn't be in this race. Why are you running?" said Ms. Shirlee Pigeon today when congressional candidate Cook Barela contacted her.

R.M. "Cook Barela, a Christian Conservative Republican in the 43rd congressional district first notified Shirlee Pigeon, Editor/publisher of The Conservative Voice newspaper to inform her of his intentions to run for congress.

"I first notified Ms. Pigeon that I was considering running for congress since she is the editor/publisher of <u>The Conservative Voice</u> a newsletter that supposedly prints 5000 copies every month according to managing editor Tom Pigeon. Ms Pigeon asked me to first speak to Joe Khoury which I did and after he failed to persuade me not to run for congress. I notified Ms. Pigeon that I was indeed running before notifying the other two candidates.

Since The Conservative Voice was suppose to be a Republican publication dedicated to publishing, "The News & Views The Liberal Media Refuses to Publish" as its front page banner proclaims, I felt it would report that I was running for congress and I supplied it with information about my candidacy.

When it did not publish any information on my candidacy after several publications, I submitted my own write up even to the point of submitting a news article equal to the very word count including the same size photograph they had ran on Joe Khoury.

When no coverage was given to me by the Conservative Voice including my requests to buy space in the paper, I contacted Ms. Pigeon to inquire why they were not covering my candidacy.

Ms. Pigeon once again mentioned that I shouldn't be running for congress. I asked her if she was going to print the story I had sent her and she said no, she was not.

"We are not like The Press Enterprise and we can choose what we print," she said.

"Shirlee does that include advertising space?" I asked. "Does that mean that I cannot buy advertising space on your paper,"

Ms. Pigeon stated that is correct, "You cannot advertise, in the paper."

I asked Ms. Pigeon "Does Mr. Khoury own the Conservative Voice," she said no. I asked her if her Public Relations firm had been hired to work for Mr. Joe Khoury, she answered yes, but that did not have anything to do with it.

Since Tom Pigeon had requested I send the Conservative Voice the information on my candidacy as well as copies of all my press releases to the press. I felt he was going to publish them. Had I known they were working for Mr. Khoury I would not have sent them the information. I have asked for the Conservative Voice to return all the information I had supplied as I had sent it to the paper and not to the public relations firm working for the Joe Khoury for congress committee.

I have lost all respect for <u>The Conservative Voice</u>; do they see my candidacy as such a threat to Mr. Khoury that they will not print my conservative views?

What happened to their proclamation found on the front of their publication that states, "The News and Views the Liberal Media Refuses to Publish," Guess my conservative views are too conservative for the Conservative Voice Newsletter.

Think I'll start my own Newspaper, maybe then I can get my Christian Conservative Views out to the public. Maybe I'll call it, "The Conservative Views" with a subtitle of, "All the conservative news, The Conservative Voice and the Liberal Media refuse to Print!"

I am Cook Barela

EXHIBIT 4



The Calendar
Check out our comprehensive
listing of many Christian activities
programs, and events of all kinds

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Festival to Fund MCC's World Hunger Relief

UPLAND — The Southern California Festival, which in cludes an auction and a "relief sale," will be an opportunity to help raise funds for the international relief, development, and service ministries of the Memorite Central Committee (MCC)

The event, May 29:30 at the Pacific Christian Center in Upland, is the first for the Southern California area, saw festival chairman Stan Long, who came to California 34 years ago to manage a chair of Christian bookstores. For the past 13 years, he has been the owner of Long's Christian Bookstore. In Rancho Cucamonga

MCC, which is based in Akron, Penn , holds a number of such fundraisers nationwide and in Canada. Fresho has held such events annually

These events are known for their festive, country fair atmosphere, drawing people from all over California and Arizona. Although presented by Mennonites and the Brethren in Christ denomination. Long says they are trying to broaden their base and get other denominations involved.

Donations for the big auction ring have been "terrific" says Long

"One lady donated a 27foot motor home, a car, and three rooms of furniture," he

The auction, run by three auctioneers will feature coloridi handmade quilts, comforters, and wall hangings. Long says they are still looking for more of these items and would welcome donations.

Artisans provide pottery, needlework woodwork paintings and other craft items for the fisting six adchurch groups set up food booths selling pareakes, hamburgers, special ethic foods, home-made breads, and pastries.

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PK Recalls Paid Staff; Conference Schedule Set

LA Coliseum is site of first free California PK May 22-23.

See story on page 2.

DENVER, Colo. (EP) — Buoyed by a nse in donations. Promise Keepers (PK) announced April 9 that it was planning to recall its national staff April 16. The men's ministry had laid off its entire paid staff of 345 effective March 31. The layoff was due to Imanical problems stemming from the ministry s decision to

eliminate admission charges for its events this year

"The Lord provided," PK founder and CEO Bill McCartney told EP News. "We were in a position where we just didn't have the funds to proceed, and so we sent out a clanon call 1 believe what has happened is that the body of Christ has been moved sufficiently by the Spirit of God to respond."

McCartney said God had brought the Bible verse II

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Get This ...

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Three former members of a polygamist sect are suing, saying the cult group's leader promised them a face-to-face meeting with Jesus Christ. The three say they gave all of their worklip goods—\$264,390—to Jim Harmston, prophet of The True and Living Church of Jesus Christ of Saints of the Last Days.

The April 7 lawsuit said Harmston took advantage of their "deepest spintual needs" and failed to deliver on his promise.

The three—Ivan Douglas Jordan, Kaziah May Hancock, and Cindy Stewart, were excommunicated from the church last year. The apocalyptic cult has about 300 members and grewout of Mormonism and teaches that the world will soon end, and only members of the church will be saved.

The faithful of the cult believe that Harmston is God's spokesman on Earth—a reincarnated Joseph Smith. Smith founded the Mormon church in 1830.

Congratulations Crystal Lewis! GMA's Female Artist of the Year



Crystal Lewis displays her two Dove Awards backstage at the GMA Dove Awards April 23. The Gold Tour' with Crystal and special guest Avalon will make three stops in California this month: May 28, First Baptist Church, San Jose; May 29, Journey Community Church, La Mesa; May 30, Calvary Church, Santa Ana.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (EP)
— Crystal Lewis' current
concert litnerary is called
"The Gold Tour," and it
literally turned golden for
the Southern California
Christian recording artist as
she detoured through Nashville to be named Fernale
Artist of the Year by the
Gospel Music Association
April 23.

It was the first ever Dove Award for the popular artist who is featured each year at the Harvest Crusades, but it was not alone. Lewis received a second Dove Award for her album, La Belleza, de la Crus, in, a new category for best Spanish Language Album.

To make her concert tour even more "golden," her tour partner is the four-member mixed group Avalon, which won the Dove for New Artist of the Year.

Gospelartist Rich Mullins was named Artist of the Year by the Gospel Music Association April 23, seven months after he died in a traffic accident. Mullins, 41. Is best known for his songs "Awesome God" and "Sing Your Praise to the Lord."

"Rich Mullins was the uneasy conscience of Christian music," said gospel and pop superstar Amy Grant, who introduced a musical tribute to Mullins which featured Michael W. Smith, Phil Keaggy, and others.

Grant added, "Although Rich was a successful artist, he didn't live like a star.

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Pro-family Leaders Focus on Issa for U.S. Senate

VISTA — With 12 candidates for U.S. Senate all seeking to unseat Democrat incumbent Barbara Boxer, the ballot looks quite crowded With the advent of California's first. Open Primary, voters from all parties—and independent—will each have the privilege of voting for any of the thirteen candidates. The leading votegetter from each

party will represent that party in November's General Elec-

It has been many years since this state has had a famile-friendly. Conservative U.S. Senator. As a result, pro-family leaders have analized the leading candidates and most agree that Republi-

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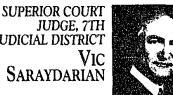
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Wiebe Endorsements Grow for School Superintendent Race

Dr. David Wiebe of Riverside, can-Riverside Superintendent of Schools, recently

received the endorsements of both State Sen. Ray Haynes and California Young Americans for Freedom

Dr. Wiebe also received the unanimous endorseof the CRA (California Republican Assembly) at its recent regional Endorsement Convention in Riverside.

In addition, Dr. Wiebe announced that he has received the endorsements California College Republicans, Young Republican Federation of Young Riverside County and

Empire Conservative School Board Members Coalition. Dana Kruckenberg of Riverside Unified School District, Greg Kraft of Alvord Unified School District and Ed Elder of Temecula Valley Unified School District have also endorsed



Or. David Wiebe

Dr. Wiebe. Other elected officials who have endorsed Dr. Wiebe are: Riverside City Council Member Alex

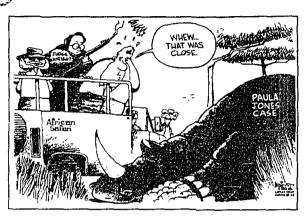
Clifford, Kathy Smith, Desert Hot Springs Council Member, and Warnie Enochs, Mayor Pro Tem, Murrieta.

Another recent endorsement of Dr. Wiebe has been that of Donald Cochran, chairman of the County Riverside Central Committee. and State Vice Chairman, American Independent Party.

Dr. Wiebe, who is campaigning as the Back to Basics

candidate, is an experienced educator and administrator with more than 37

years in the teaching world, 29 of those years in Riverside County. Dr. Wiche is chair of the Liberal Studies Department and a Professor Please see Wiebe, p. 3



Riverside Hosts CRA **Endorsement Convention**

The CRA (California Republican Assembly) held its Inland Empire Endorsement Convention recently in Riverside, with delegates from nine units participating representing Riverside, Moreno Valley, Temecula, The Lakes Ilake Elsinore and Canyon Lakel, San Pennand Ino. 11 pland (Ranche Curimonga, and Palm Desert/Palm

Springs.

Joe Khoury received the unanimous endorsement for the 43rd Congressional District. David Wiebe, candidate for Riverside County Superintendent of Schools. was also unanimously

Other Riverside County candidates endorsed by the CRA include: Senator Ray Haynes, 36th State Senate District: Assemblyman Jim Battin, 80th Assembly District: and Assemblyman Brett Granlund, 65th Assembly District.

Don Inskeep received the endorsement for Judge. 10th Riverside Judicial District, while Vic Saraydarian received the endorsement for Riverside Judicial District 7. Supervisor Roy Wilson received the endorsement for Riverside County Supervisor, 4th District.

Endorsements by the CRA for the Riverside County Republican Central Committee were as follows: 1st District, Terri Brubaker, Dan Hollingsworth, Kevin Jeffries, John Seepe and Trudy Thomas. 2nd District, Steve Mesarch



Joseph Khoury, candidate for the 43rd Congressional District, received a unanimous endorsement from the CRA

and Kathy Ann Smith. 4th District, Jeanette Dreisbach and Paul Sicker. 5th District, Joel Dingman, Susan Holladay, Joseph Ludwig and Shirlee Pigeon.
In San Bernardino, Ella Pirozzi

In San Bernardino, Ella Pirozzi received the endorsement for 42nd Congressional District; George Craig was endorsed for the 40th Congressional District and Pete Pierce was endorsed for the 41st Congressional District. For the 61st State Assembly District. Robert DeMailie was endorsed, while Irma

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Herschensohn at Mountjoy fund-raiser on May 24

Fun Shoot and BBQ set for May 17



Sen. Dick Mountroy

Two May fund-raisers, one featuring Bruce Herschensohn, will be held for Sen. Dick Mountjoy, candi-date for Ueutenant Governor, the first on Sunday, May 17, in Norco, the other the following Sunday, May 24, in Glendale.

A Fun Shoot and Barbeque fund-raiser will be held at Mike Raahauge's Pheasant Club, \$800 Bluff St., Norco. The shoot will be from 10 a.m. to noon, the barbeque and lave band from noon to 3 p.m. Cost for the shoot and food is \$50; food only, \$25. For information or directions, please call (909) 698-8080 or (626) 357-0910.

On Sunday, May 24. Bruce Herschensohn will be fea-tured speaker at a Mountjoy fund-raiser on Memorial Day

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'Race' rears its ugly head in the race for the 43rd

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Enough is enough': Voters respond to racism in politics

Commentary by Shirlee Pigeon Voice Editor-in-Chief

During the past several weeks, the Conservative Voice has received many calls and letters concerning the blatant racism emanating from the Calvert camp in the 43rd Congressional race

Congressional race.

Shame on Calvert, shame on his campaign staff, and shame on anyone involved in spewing forth this malicious history.

The responses we received were an immediate and heated reaction to several articles that appeared in the Press-Enterprise - 'Calvert campaign uses old strategy' (April 21). 'Calvert apology demanded.' (April 30), and 'Calvert statement angers groups' (May 8). These callers from around the district were appalled, stating alarm, concern and disgust over Calvert's obvious racial overtones in this campaign. Some of these were from former supporters of the incumbent who are now switching their allegiance to Joe Khoury. They are fed-up with this type of racial tactics. So am

Over the past few years many of you have had the opportunity to meet Joe Khoury or at least hear him speak at various forums or functions throughout the district. But for those who don't know Joe yet, here's a little background.

Joe was born in Lebanon and came to America at the age of 19 with Just a few bucks in his pocket. He lived with relatives, worked hard and put himself through school. And he proudly chose to become an American citizen. He went through the years of preparation to become an American citizen and renounced all allegiance to any other country when he did so.

Joe earned his Ph.D. from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, a prestigious institution ranking right up there with the best in our country. Twenty-seven years ago he married Joyce Khoury who was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and together they have raised four beautiful and talented daughters.

Thave known Joe and his family for many years and have been in their home many times. I have seen a side of Joe that is, unfortunately, seldom reflected on the campaign trail. I have seen Joe, the loving husband of Joyce. I have seen Joe, the proud and devoted father. His daughters love him deeply and, equally important, they respect him. I have seen Joe, a courageous American, a true American in every sense of the word. Joe and his family are the American dream.

I am saddened, sickened and cringe when I hear the hate-mongers and racists viciously attack Joe on his heritage. The racial overtones in the

campaign four years ago were despicable. The caricature of Joe on a flying carpet was deplorable, not in the least "humorous" as Calvert's campaign manager, Ed Slevin, stated. This time the malicious narrow-

This time the malicious narrowminded politics of hate is even worse and started right out of the gate. Slevin's comment in 1998 is by no means an isolated incident: it has been a Slevin pattern for years.

been a Slevin pattern for years.

As one caller said, "Enough is enough. Calvert's played the race card once too often. The present Congressman is a disgrace to the Republican party, disgrace to our District, and a disgrace to America.

Anyone who runs a campaign based on racism is not worthy of our vote.

Recently, Alex. Joe and Joyce's youngest daughter, age 10, was in her dad's campaign office, drawing pictures at "Alex's desk." She likes to hang around so she can "help." When Joe returned from a speaking engagement, she rushed up to him and gave him a big hug. A few minutes later they left for home. As Joe and his daughter walked to the car, Joe put his arm around her, kissed her on the cheek and asked about her day. For Joe, this is what it's all about. God, family, country -- he's got his priorities straight.

I am proud to know him. He will make us all proud as our Congressman.

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Escobar received the endorsement for the 62nd State Assembly District: and Assemblyman Bill Leonard for the 63rd State Assembly District. Bill Peters was endorsed for San Bernardino County 2nd District Supervisor, and Sal Brigulglio was endorsed for Judge, 1st San Bernardino District.

The CRA is the eldest grass-roots volunteer organization within the state's Republican party and has long been an influential voice for the conservative principles which have made America the most revered nation in the world. It promotes responsible social, fiscal and domestic legislation, a, strong national defense policy, preservation of the constitutional freedoms and equal opportunity for all through unrestrained support of the free enterprise system.

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High school clinion proposed: meeting set for May 18

An open invitation has been extended to concerned citizens to attend the Monday, May 18. Riverside Unified School Board Meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Building, 6735 Magnolia Ave.

The Board will hear public comment and vote to open School Based Clines on High School campuses. The proposal is sponsored by Community Health Corp. associated with Riverside Community

Proposed services would include:

abortion referrals and other referrals, prescriptions lincluding birth control). physical exams with nurse practitioner, reproductive health services It has been pointed out that under California law parents' consent cannot be required for abortion-related service/referrals or high control

You are encouraged to please pray and come and lend support against school-based clinics for our children in Riverside," said a spokesperson opposed to the clinics

Concerned Women for America names Mason Weaver 'Man of the Year'

Mason Weaver, San Diego County radio personality, newspaper columnist, and popular lecturer, has been named Concerned Women for America's 'Man of the Year.' The award will be given May 21 at a Concerned Women for America celebration in San Diego

For many years, Weaver has worked side-by-side with CWA and Beverly LaHaye, CWA founder, on many issues facing America. CWA is the largest women's organization in America with more than 500,000 members.

Weaver is also the President and Founder of The Committee to Restore America

and author of the book, It's OK to Leave the Plantation.

Wiebe

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at California Bantist College in Riverside. Prior to that the was an educational consultant for Riverside County, providing administrative services in the areas of budget, curriculum, facilities, transportation, personnel, board policies, contracts, bids and other areas of school management and administration. served 22 years as Superintendent of Schools for the Nuview Unified School District in Nuevo.

"My background as superintendent, teacher and professor in Riverside County schools gives me important educational insights about important education issues in the county. My children are products of Riverside public education; therefore I have a great interest in furthering excellence in public education," said Dr. Wiebe. He added that he is in favor of creating an educational environment with some muscle, "one that won't crumble in the face of misdirected ideology. Through training and high expectations we will create the kinds of schools that parents will want their children to attend. As County Superintendent, I will help schools move to sound principles of basic education -- providing schools move to sound principles of basic caucauon profiles students with the fundamentals of reading, through phonics, writing and reading comprehension and by developing sound math programs through mastery of computational skills.

The educator continued: "Our children are not guinea pigs. We must quit experimenting and return to what works -- Back to Basics. All children can learn. Let's give them the chance. The research is clear: simply put, we get what we expect, and we need to expect more."

For information on the Dr. Wiebe campaign, please contact (909) 686-7575, (909) 656-0425, or (800) 686-1972 or visit the Wiebe campaign web site: www.wordpr.com/wiebe/

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The Conservative Voice Recommendations for Initiatives on the June 2 ballot

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Prop. 220	Court Consolidation	No
Prop. 221	Judicial Discipline	4es
Prop. 222	Murder, Punishment	4es
Prop. 223	95/5	No
Prop. 224	Engineering Contracts	No
Prop. 225	Term Limits/Congress	4es
Prop. 226	Campaign Reform	4es
Prop. 227	English For The Children	4es

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Check out these web sites!

Several of the candidates seeking office in the June Primary have informative web sites, which you are invited to visit.

Some of our favorites, both for their technical production and their message,

Khoury for Congress www.khoury1998.com

Mountjoy for Lt. Gov. www.wordpr.com/mountjoy/

Wiebe for Riverside County Superintendent of Schools www.wordpr.com/wiebe/

Mountjoy

Weekend at Glendale Civic Auditorium, 1401 N. Verdugo Road, from 2 to 5 p.m. The program, entitled "Honor America," will be emceed by Peter Ford of radio station KIEV. Also speaking will be the Hon. Robert K. Dornan.

Dick Mountjoy is one of the very few elected officials whom I admire. On June 2, please vote to send Dick to the Lt. Governor's office. You can't cast a better vote," said Herschensohn.

In addition to Herschensohn, Mountjoy has been endorsed by the California Republican Assembly, Riverside Sheriff's Association, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers' Assn. PAC, California Pro-life Council, United Republicans of California, Young Americans for Freedom, and Citizens for a Better America.

Several conservative radio talk show hosts from California, Nevada and Oregon will also participate, including Michael Reagan, Bob Heckler, Lou Epton, Stan Montieth, Roger Hedgecock, Lou Penrose, Warren Duffy, Melanie Morgan, Geoff Metcalf. Barbara Simpson, Jane Michael Savage and Rogert Chastain. Fredinburg.

The public is invited to join in the celebration as America's heroes are honored and tribute is paid to those who have fallen in her service and defense, said and event spokesperson.

Children and students will be admitted free; for others the cost is \$15. For more information. please call (626) 357-0910 or (818) 500-1949.

etters to the Editor

Khoury: 'real leadership'

As a former Calvert supporter, I was disgusted by the racial remarks made by his campaign manager. The U.S. Constitution allows naturalized citizens to be elected to congressional office and that should be enough for Mr. Calvert. Making fun of one's ethnicity has no place in politics.

Joe Khoury is a fully qualified individuals who resides in the 43rd Congressional District. He will provide real leadership unclouded by racism for the diverse people of this district. Calvert seems incapable of understand-ing the changing demographics. Perhaps, he's lived here too long.

Susan Holladay, Riverside

Ethnicity attacked

As a past president of the Young Republicans as well as the Republican Central Committee in Virginia, I find

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Congressman Calvert's attack on Mr. Khoury's ethnic heritage sickening and a major black eye to the party.

As an elected school trustee of a

mostly minority school population, I find Mr. Calvert's re-election campaign extremely repugnant in its attacks on minorities. When many of the school districts in the area are dealing with racial tension it was irresponsible and insensitive for Calvert to display Mr. Khoury on a magic carpet. Which was nothing more than an attack on Mr. Khoury's ethnic background. Such a callous attack on a segment of our society shows the ugliest side of all human

As a past supporter of Mr. Calvert, I will do all in my power to encourage the voters to oust this racist and show the public we will not tolerate attacks on fellow Americans because of their ethnicity, religion or gender anymore.

Greg Kraft, Riverside

Wiebe: 'back to basics'

Recently my wife and I attended a forum at the County Office of Education for the three condidates minning for

Riverside County superintendent of schools. It was clear to us that only one of these men was interested in educating our children. That was David Wiebe, who stressed back to basics and getting our schools "back to basics" and getting our schools "back on track." He's got it ail -- experience, education and common sense. He's also got our vote on June 2.

K.C. and R. E. McMillin, Riverside

Time to fold?

June 2 -- the date of the primary election. What a great time to say no to racism by voting out the present incumbent, Calvert, along with his big-otry, and voting in Joe Khoury, a true

Calvert has played the race card once too often: it's time for him to fold. John E. Seepe III, Lake Elsinore.

'Children, not guinea pigs'

David Wiebe appears to be the only candidate in the race for County Superintendent of Schools who wants to stop experimenting with our chil-dren's education and return to what works -- Back to Basics. Let's give our kids a chance to learn. They're children, not guinea pigs. I'll be casting my vote for David Wiebe, the Back to Basics candidate.

Cynthia Mendoza, Jurupa

'Breath of fresh air'

David Wiebe, candidate for Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, represents a breath of fresh air in this race. While the other two pontificate their stale and bureaucratic positions, Whebe brings common sense and a real commitment to "back to basics" and our children's education. Wiebe has our vote.

Rich and Sue Larson, Riverside

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- . California Young Americans for Freedom -- "In this race for Congress, you (Khoury) are the most principled and ideologically committed candidate for a stronger America." -- Brian Park, California YAF chair.
- · Sandee Beckers, State President, Eagle Forum of California -- "I believe that where our Declaration of Independence states that 'We are endowed by our creator with certain inalienable rights, among them the right to life, liberty and pursud of happiness," it means life at all stages (born and unborn). Thank you for taking a stand to fight for this malienable
- California College Republicans -- "Strong conservative principles and convictions, integrity and commitment are very important to us and we are more than happy to give you our endorsement." -- David J. Cordero, vice-chairman of California College Republicans.
- · Paul Weyrich, President of Free Congress Foundation. Washington, D.C. -- "I believe it is time to send a clear message, even to the Republicans, that we need something better than 'business as usual.

Business as usual is not acceptable."

- · Gun Owners of America "Mr. Calvert wants you to believe he is pro-gun. But while he talks pro-gun in the district, his own record betrays him....With gun control advocates continually assaulting our rights, we need people like Joseph Khoury in the U.S. Congress." -- Larry Pratt, Executive Director.
- · Inland Empire Conservative Coalition Khoury "will bring back to this office what has been missing for the past three terms -- integrity, morality, principles, vision, courage, and strong conservative values. Your (Khoury's) excellent leadership qualities will provide our District with the type of Congressman



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The California Republican Assembly (CRA) cares very deeply which path we choose.

That's why we urge you to elect Joe Khoury as our next Congressman. The CRA voted unanimously to endorse Joe Khoury for Congress in our district for two reasons.

First, our current Congressman, Ken Calvert, has proven he lacks the basic moral character necessary to serve in high elective office.

Calvert voted to take millions out of programs to provide healthcare for veterans. And Ken Calvert even voted to take \$500 Billion from the Social Security Trust Fund to pay for other government programs. But Calvert voted yes to benefit tobacco producers with millions in subsidies. And he voted yes to raise his own taxpayer-funded salary.

Ken Calvert has proven he is not a conservative Republican. Rather than representing our needs and desires, he works for the wealthy special interests who fund his campaigns.

Ken Calvert's brand of get-along, go-along politics is a big part of the problem in Washington, D.C. When Republicans first took over Congress, we were excited by the prospect we would finally tackle the tough issues of high taxes, failed schools and rampant crime.

But so far that hasn't happened. Taxes are still far too high. In fact, most families spend more to feed government than they do to buy groceries, clothing, shelter and healthcare combined. The IRS continues to abuse its power and authority. Even the brutal practice of aborting perfectly healthy babies in the 8th and 9th month of pregnancy is still legal.

Congress spends more and more each year on education, but our schools continue to decline. Real reform seems as far away as ever. Crime continues to plague our streets and communities. And the moral core of our nation is under siege by the very people we used to tell our children to look to as role models: our elected leaders.

Which brings me to the second reason we unanimously endorsed Joe Khoury for Congress. Joe Khoury is proud to be a conservative Republican.

You can count on Joe to step up and fight for the moral values we share with energy, passion, and conviction. I'm talking about values like honesty, integrity and character.

Joe and his wife, Joyce, have raised four wonderful daughters here in Southern California. And, like us, Joe worries about the kind of America we leave to our children.

Joe knows that our current tax code sticks it to middle-class families. Almost 40% of the average family's income goes towards paying taxes. That's wrong. And we can count on Joe Khoury to fight for positive change. As a professor of business finance, Joe understands that if we cut income taxes on middle class families, reform the IRS and make the tax code flatter and fairer, our economy will explode.

Joe knows, like you and me, that our schools are failing our children. We aren't getting our money's worth. But as a professor at the University of California here in Riverside, Joe has unique insight into the solutions needed to fix our schools. Joe will fight to give parents more control of their schools and more choices in which schools they send their children. He'll move to crack down on school discipline and get unruly students removed from the classroom. Joe will also fight to reward the best teachers with merit pay and to reform tenure so we can get bad teachers out of the classroom.

Joe will also fight to take criminals off our streets and get drugs out of our schools and neighborhoods. The safety of our families and our children is just too important to play politics with.

Most importantly, Joe will serve the interests of the people of Riverside County. He championed the fight against the El Sobrante Landfill project. He conducted an extensive study on the finances of Riverside County and was the first independent expert to testify that the landfill project was a disastrous idea from an ecological, fiscal, quality of life, and political perspective. In fighting against El Sobrante along with many community leaders and activists, Joe Khoury captured our attention and our hearts. And this is just one of the many things that Joe is ready and willing to fight for on our behalf.

Joe Khoury is exactly the kind of decent, honest man we need representing our values in Washington, D.C. But you don't have to take my word for it. Just look at the kind of husband and father he is. Joe's wife, Joyce, and his four daughters, Alex, Leila, Natalie and Mona, are the most important thing in the world to him. No matter how much Joe Khoury accomplishes in his life I know the title he cherishes most is that of Dad.

Please, I urge you to help the California Republican Assembly and thousands of other volunteers to elect Joe Khoury, the conservative Republican choice for Congress in our district.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Shiriee Pigeon

First Vice-President, Riverside - CRA

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P.S. Ken Calvert has failed us. He voted to take money from the Social Security trust fund and give himself a pay raise. Fortunately, we have a choice. Joe Khoury is exactly the rare kind of honest and conservative Republican we need in Washington, D.C. today. He'll fight for Riverside County families day and night – for lower taxes, better schools and an end to crime. Please join the California Republican Assembly in helping elect Joe Khoury to Congress. Thanks.

EXHIBIT 6



POLITICAL CALENDAR

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The Press-Enterprise

Retirement resort to host candidates

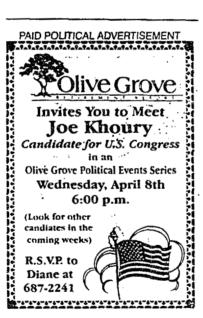
Olive Grove Retirement Resort in Riverside will serve as host for four "Get to Know Your Candidate" events this month.

Candidates in the 43rd Congressional District will discuss their views on issues important to senior citizens, including Social Security, Medicare and other topics.

Events will begin at 6 p.m. in the plaza clubhouse of the resort at 7858 California Ave.

Republican candidate Joe Khoury will speak first on Wednesday, followed by Republican incumbent Rep. Ken Calvert of Corona on April 14. Green Party candidate Phillip Courtney will speak on April 21 and Democrat Mike Rayburn will speak April 28. Information: Diane Hansen at (909) 687-2241.

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EXHIBIT 7

COOK BARELA

for Congress 5974 Palencia drive Riverside, California 92509 909-361-1802



May 14, 1998

Dear Mr. Joe Khoury

This is now the second time you have publicly refereed to me as being racist, that is slanderous statement and I question why a congressional candidate is playing a racist card because I question your dual citizenship. The truth is you are a citizen of Lebanon and of the United States, that you hold two passports, one bearing your Lebanese citizenship and the other this country's. As a citizen if I were not running for congress I would question your loyalty, especially when you have chosen to obtain the majority of your funds from Arab-Americans. Those are facts found in official FEC records, does that make the FEC a racist organization?

The facts are you did receive PAC funds and to date there is no record that you have returned those funds found in FEC records.

You have received Arab PAC funds each and every time you have run for congress and have also donated funds to Arab PACs, those are the facts Mr. Khoury as recorded in official FEC records.

Does looking into your association with the multi-candidate PAC organizations such as the "Arab American leadership Political Action Committee" the "American for Lebanon Political Action committee, the American Task Force for Lebanon Policy Council Political Action committee, make me a racist? Those are official records open for public inspection.

You may recall that before you decided to play the race card when I informed you that I was considering a run for congress against Mr. Calvert you had mentioned to me that it was going to be a racist issue, a racist that you are now playing against me when there is no substance to your

accusations. You are using this issue to divide the county of Riverside but I fear how you would use it in the United States House of Representatives

Today, you mentioned that I was there at the forum as a proxy for Mr. Calvert, how dare you! Out of respect for the political science professor and his students that invited us to participate in that forum, I did not respond, but I will warn you this last time, you once called me Mr. Calvert's sole mate (on the phone), then a Calvert agent (when I delivered the demand for an apology letter to you at your campaign headquarters), and now you called me Mr. Calvert's proxy in public. I was recently questioned by the Press Enterprise and asked, if "I had been contacted by Mr. Calvert's camp and requested to run. Such an accusation could have only come from your camp, unless it is the press that is soliciting this type of unfounded accusations.



I have spoken to you more then I have to Mr. Calvert or anyone associated with Him, there is no truth what so ever to those lies and insinuations that you are making. Such an accusation is a crime according to federal laws, your spreading of those lies is therefore a slur, and a slanderous statement and you can be and I will hold you responsible should such an accusation appear in print, because of what you have said today in public.

I am an American citizen and I have a right to question where you receive your funds and what PAC funds you have received and who has supported you in the past. That information is found in public records. Records that are open to the public and some of which do seem to require an explanation.

Perhaps its just plain naiveness on my part, but I question why you have four different congressional committees, four different bank accounts in four different cities, a different treasurer each time you run for office, four telegram demands from the Federal Election Commission notifying you of your failure to file reports of receipts and expenditures for each year since 1995?

Those are I believe honest questions that the public deserves an explanation to, especially from a "financial college professor who has publicly and in writing stated that those are your qualifications and that you receive no PAC funds. Till this date there is no FEC record that PAC funds have been returned to the Arab American Leadership PAC of which Mr. Zogby is the treasurer.

Questioning political candidates funding is an American tradition, it is not a racist inquiry and its unfortunate that you and Mr. Zogby see it that way. Its

unfortunate that the Anti-Arab anti defamation league sees it that way, especially in light of what those organizations are involved in when it comes to what can be perceived as anti-American, anti-Western and anti-Israel sentiments when one visits their web sites or reads Mr. Zogby weekly columns.

Mr. Khury those individuals and the organizations they represent arose to your defense, its only proper that I question who they are, who you are as well as who Mr. Calvert is or what he has done or has failed to do in Congress, but there is no reason why such an inquiry from myself or the general public wishing to know the truth about your congressional political involvement to be branded a racist or a Calvert agent, please stop referring to me as such, as there will be no further warning, before legal papers will be filed against you, and those associated in your campaign, employees and associations.

EXHIBIT 8



CALVERT CAMPAIGN USES OLD STRATEGY JOE KHOURY, A CHALLENGER IN THE 43RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, GETS MOST OF HIS MONEY OUTSIDE HIS DISTRICT, THE OPPOSITION COMPLAINS. THE SAME ARGUMENT WAS MADE IN 1994.

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CORRECTION: THE FIRST NAME OF REP. KEN CALVERT'S CAMPAIGN MANAGER, ED SLEVIN, WAS

MISSPELLED IN AN ARTICLE TUESDAY ABOUT THE PRIMARY CAMPAIGN. {4/22 RA}

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The Press-Enterprise

WASHINGTON

Money and where it comes from has once again brought up race as an issue in a Republican primary between Rep. Ken Calvert and challenger Joe Khoury.

Calvert's campaign manager said Monday that Khoury has raised the vast majority of his money from outside the district.

"It's almost entirely Arab-American," said El Slevin, the congressman's campaign manager.

If Calvert got most of his money from a single group, the press would be all over him, Slevin said, adding that he sees nothing wrong with Khoury's financial base.

But Khoury sees a problem with Slevin's argument.

"Mr. Slevin wants to put a racial tone to this campaign," he said. "The kind of racial overtones he wants to put on this campaign are repugnant and have no place in American politics, in Riverside politics."

In the first three months of the year, Khoury raised \$80,014, slightly more than Calvert's \$79,538.

But Calvert started the year with more money and spent less than half what Khoury spent.

The figures come from recently filed Federal Election Commission reports that show all incumbents leading their challengers in fund raising this year.

Mary Bono of Palm Springs, who takes office today by virtue of a special election earlier this month, raised and spent more than \$400,000, by far the most among area candidates.

Rep. Jerry Lewis, R-Redlands, who recently ruled out a bid for the U.S. Senate, has the most cash on hand

In the 43rd Congressional District, the issue of race and money came up in 1994 when the Calvert campaign raised the issue of Khoury's dependence on Arab-American donors and produced a mailer with a caricature of Khoury on a flying carpet.

Khoury complained of racism. Slevin said it was a humorous way of portraying Khoury as an outsider using money from outside the district to win a seat in Congress.

Monday, Slevin continued with his old line of attack.

"Joe Khoury has no ties to the district," he said.

"He's not from the district."

Khoury, a professor at the University of California, Riverside, was born in Lebanon and has many Lebanese-American supporters.

But there is no way to say how much of his money comes from that community.

"This is total nonsense," he said. "We don't ask people's nationality when we ask them for donations."

Political analyst Tony Quinn, co-editor of the California Target Book, said pointing to ethnic background is not a winning strategy.

"It's not an issue that the voters are going to decide on," he said.

Unlike Calvert, Khoury said, he accepts money only from individuals, no political action committees.

And, he said, he's well ahead of previous campaigns in his fund-raising efforts.

Khoury spent nearly a third of his money on well-known political consultant Ed Rollins.

Calvert isn't taking the race lightly. He sought and obtained a contribution from the National Republican Campaign Committee, a party organization which often stays out of primary contests.

That didn't surprise Khoury, who is characterizing Calvert as too cozy with the Republican Party's leadership.

More important, he said, was an endorsement he received over the weekend from the California Republican Assembly, a conservative organization that describes itself as the "conscience" of the Republican Party and is the state GOP's largest volunteer group.

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Calvert apology demanded

► Two Arab American leaders characterize remarks by a campaign aide to the congressman as anti-Arab.

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise

The leaders of two prominent Arab American organizations are calling on Rep. Ken Calvert to apologize for remarks made by his campaign manager, corhments both groups denounced as anti-Arab.

James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, and Hala Maksoud, head of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, urged the Riverside Republican to renounce the comments made last week by Ed Slevin.

In discussing fund-raising, Slevin point ed out that UC-Riverside finance professor Joe Khoury - Calvert's leading Republican challenger — has drawn financial support that is "almost entirely Arab

Zogby, who heads the 13-year-old policcal and policy group in Washington, called such remarks "Arab baiting" and urged Calvert, R-Corona, to apologize.

"Slevin's implication that Arab Amer can involvement in the political process per se is sinister or something to be feare is a contemptible tactic," Zogby wrote an April 24 letter to Calvert.

Zogby said the remark was even more troubling because Calvert and Slevin had crafted a political mailer during the 1994 campaign that depicted Khoury on a flying carpet.

Calvert's press secretary Kathy Besser said the congressman was not available to comment on the matter, but would issue a



Rep. Ken Calvert

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On Wednesday, Calvert met in Washington with another Arab American concerned about Sle-Zvin's remarks.

Khalid Saffouri, president of the Islamic Institute in Washington, said Calvert wanted to reassure -him that Slevin's comments were not meant to be disparaging, and were intended only to point out that the money was coming from outside the district.

Saffouri, whose fledgling institute will work to bring more Muslims into the Republican Party, said he was pleased by the meet-

"I'm sure what his campaign manager said does not represent any racist views on the part of the congressman," he said. "I know that from my past dealings with him."

Slevin himself said on Wednesday that his remark had been taken out of context, but declined to elaborate on his contention that voters should explore the motivations of any candidate whose money comes mostly from one particular group.

"If Ken Calvert had gotten all his money from one group, we'd have eight column headlines," Slevin said, who added that he was concerned about Khoury getting most of his support from outside the congressional district and his "single sourcing" of funds.

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Maksoud, president of the 18year-old anti-discrimination group, urged Calvert to apologize for Slelvin's remarks.

"This is another example of our being treated as if we were not part of this mosaic, as if we were outside the political spectrum," Maksoud said.

Slevin's contentions received support from R.M. "Cook" Barela, the third Republican running in the 43rd Congressional District:

This is a special interest group," said Barela, a former Juru-pa school board member. "This looks like there's a league of Arab leaders that are buying a congressional seat here in Riverside."

Khoury, 51, a native of Lebanon, said a majority of his financial support has come from Lebanese-Americans around the nation. He called Slevin's and Barela's remarks "outrageous."

"I believe they are trying to cover deep racial prejudice, and they have no place in American

politics," Khoury said.

Khoury said he has always thought of himself as an American and expressed concerns that his opponents were trying to raise racial or ethnic questions to cloud a serious debate on issues in the district.

Ron Schmidt, a political science professor at California State University, Long Beach, said politicians in America have sought support from their ethnic communities since the nation was founded.

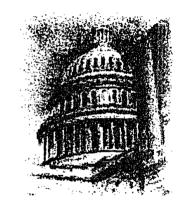
"I don't think there's anything sinister about an ethnic group organizing to gain greater access in politics," said Schmidt, who specializes in ethnic politics. "That's what makes us inclusive."

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APRIL 30, 1998



An Open letter to Mr. Joseph Khoury

A DEMAND FOR AN APOLOGY

Dear Mr. Khoury

I find your remarks that I am trying to "cover deep racial prejudice" offensive, slanderous and totally unsupported. I demand an immediate apology, as they are offensive to me, to members of my congregation, as well as to many of my political supporters and friends.

I served as a chaplain on the Los Angeles Police Department for over ten years, I ministered to many police officers, their wives, children and the general public who were often caught in the turmoil of crime. I am a Christian pastor, I have served them with respect regardless of their ethnic, financial or religious background. The remarks you made that were published in today's Riverside Press Enterprise are offensive, slanderous and not substantiated by public service record. I have given a lot to the communities of the 43rd congressional district and believe your words were meant to slander my reputation in the eyes of those I have served.

As <u>The Conservative Voice Newsletter</u> and the Public relations firm you hired, Word Mill, are well aware I filed a lawsuit against my last political opponent for making similar false, and slanderous remarks about my character and attacking me personally. It was only out of respect for the office of State Assembly that I dropped the lawsuit after he apologized in writing. I will not be so tolerant this time and I demand an immediate apology for the repugnant and vile accusations you slandered me with in today's paper. I am not Ken Calvert and please do not associate me with his campaign. I raise my own questions regarding your campaign and now your integrity when you have to resort to these types of tactics, to which I have warned you once before via the Conservative Times, that I will not tolerate.

For your information, for years Christian Awareness Crusade, a ministry I founded in 1982, served to financially support Lebanese missionaries working in Lebanon. We worked hard to send them financial and food relief during some very disturbing times of war. For years, I have ministered and enjoyed the friendship of many Arab-American friends, some of whom are contributing to my campaign, and they have also found your remarks offensive.

I have only stated the truth, in response to a question posed to me by the press, regarding the source of your campaign contributions which are a public record. What is offensive and very evident to the people of this district, Mr. Khoury, is that you are being financed almost exclusively by Arab campaign funds. This is the truth. FEC documents reveal that only one family and 11 individuals that are not Arab-Americans have donated only \$7,000 to your campaign. The rest of your \$123,000 in campaign funds came from outside the district and the majority of it from individuals who enjoy dual Lebanese citizenship with you. That is the truth.

I find these selective financial contributions offensive and certainly not the American way. It smells of racial bias and questionable ethics regarding just whom you would represent in congress. Since you enjoy dual Lebanese citizenship with these same supporters, I believe the people of this district have every right to question your loyalty.

What is racist, biased and certainly prejudiced is <u>The Conservative Voice</u> newsletter which is employed by you, and has refused to publish any information regarding my candidacy for Congress even though I am a conservative Republican with strong community support. I am a Hispanic American running for office, the first in this district to do so, and <u>The Conservative Voice</u> because they have been employed by you will not even allow me to purchase an ad in their newsletter which is sent out to Republican leaders, that's the news that both <u>The Press Enterprise</u> and <u>The Conservative Voice</u> refuse to print.

Mr. Khoury, you are a political science professor and I believe that you are using these false statements against me for political gain and to deceive the public. You are stirring up a racist issue where there is none and for no other reason then to get a sympathy vote. You are hiding behind a false racial issue to hide the fact that you do not have nor enjoy strong community support in this district and must rely on outside funds and false statements to run here. I question your integrity when you and your campaign advisors have to resort to this type of tactics and attack me for stating only the truth.

Mr. Khoury, you may recall that you yourself told me personally when you tried to talk me out of running for congress that you plan to win this congressional race at "any cost", that it was going to be "very bloody, very, very, bloody," politicians resort to this type of personal bashing when they have no substance and thereby cloud the real issues of American politics.

Please do not refer to me as being prejudiced for your political gains, as that is slanderous, libel, offensive and certainly not substantiated by my many years of public service. I will not tolerate these types of remarks. I will hold you, the Conservative Voice, the public relations firm of Word Mill, the Inland Empire Conservative Coalition, as well as Mr. Edward Rollins responsible for any further offensive, unsubstantiated and false remarks directed against me, either telephonically to voters or through political literature from your campaign and supporters or from any Arab organizations supporting you for congress.

Sincerely,

R.M. COOK BARELA

KHOURY FOR CONGRESS

P.O. BOX 51598 RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 92517



To: Mr. Cook Barela

From: Joe Khoury

Date: May 1, 1998

Dear Mr. Barela;

I will not deal with the numerous inaccuracies in your letter. I wish you would have checked the accuracy of your facts and that you had been more careful in the words you have chosen. Some of your comments are simply outrageous. Incidentally, I categorically reject the statement that I planned to win "at any cost". This is simply untrue.

However, I believe that you have misinterpreted the reference in the quotation in The Press Enterprise because the way the article was written. The "they" refers to Calvert and Slevin. I simply have no fight with you. I am sorry that you would want to have anything to do with the tactics of Calvert.

All the best!

JOE KHOURY.....YOUR VOICE FOR VALUES

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Press Release:

Congressional candidate R.M. Cook Barela rejects Joe Khoury's letter as arrogant and certainly not an apology

Riverside - In a two-paragraph letter from Joe Khoury to congressional candidate R.M. Cook Barela, Khoury "never apologized" says Barela.

"I am not one of his political science students to be lectured to," said Barela, who dismissed Khoury's letter as arrogant.

"I believe that you have misinterpreted the reference in the quotation in The Press Enterprise," Khoury writes, mentioning that the "they" refers to Calvert and Slevin.

"Khoury fails to mention, clarify or apologize for his remarks which have been misinterpreted by others," says Barela. "Khoury doesn't understand that his words were slanderous and libelous and were seen as such by Christians in my congregation, my supporters and the general public. If he wants to make things right, then he should apologize."

Using carefully crafted words having double meaning makes his comments obtuse and irrelevant. If he can demand an apology for something he may have misunderstood that Calvert said, then I can certainly demand an apology for something that even his own supporters see as having involved me.

As a Christian minister that supported a Lebanese Christian missionary in Lebanon during the civil war years of the early 1980's, Khoury's comment offended my family, my congregation and me and he should apologize to the people of the 43rd district for his hurtful remark.

Calvert statement angers groups

Apology still sought by Arab-Americans

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise

Rep. Ken Calvert sought Monday to explain comments made by his campaign manager about his main Republican opponent's ethnic support, but the effort only angered Arab-American leaders who had called for an apology.

The Corona Republican issued a oneparagraph statement two weeks after his campaign manager, Ed Slevin, said Calvert's GOP opponent — Lebanese-born Joe Khoury — has received financial support that is "almost entirely Arab-American."

Following calls from two Arab-American organizations for Calvert to apologize, the congressman issued a statement that further upset the group leaders and prompted Khoury to call for Slevin's dismissal.

"It is unfortunate that any offense was taken by anyone regarding remarks made on my behalf," Calvert wrote. "I promise to engage my primary opponents Joe Khoury and Cook Barela on the issues and on the factual reporting of my achievements in Congress."

James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, called the statement "irritating" and renewed his call for an apology.

"What's unfortunate is not that we took offense," Zogby said. "What's unfortunate is that he doesn't get that he offended an ethnic community."

Zogby denounced Slevin's comments as "Arab-baiting" and criticized Calvert for not specifically disavowing himself from his campaign manager's comments.

Slevin said his remarks had been taken out of context and that he had been trying to point out that most of Khoury's financial support has come from residents living outside the 43rd Congressional District.

In his statement, Calvert said "the only fund-raising issue that is relevant regarding Mr. Khoury is that he raises very little money, and has very little support, from residents of western Riverside County."

In the first three months of 1998, Khoury raised \$80,014 to Calvert's \$79,538. But Calvert started the year with more money

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43rd District

Barela to speak at breakfast meeting

R. M. Cook Barela, Republican candidate for Congress in the 43rd District, will speak on "What Made America Great" at a breakfast fund-raising meeting Saturday at 8 a.m. at Flos' Farmhouse Cafe, 5620 Van Buren Ave., Riverside. The public is invited to attend and

sign a copy of the Declaration of Independence. Information: 361-1802.

43rd District

2 candidates plan health fair visits

Two candidates for Congress in the 43rd District will appear May 13 at a health fair at Olive Grove Retirement Resort, 7858 California Ave., Riverside.

Joe Khoury, Republican, will speak from I to 1:30 p.m. and has a table at the fair from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Phillip Courtney, Green party, will speak from 4 to 4:30 p.m. and stay until 5 p.m.

The health fair will feature 50 businesses from throughout the Inland Empire offering free screenings, information, demonstrations, seminars and give-aways for seniors. Information: 687-2241.

CALVERT

Continued from **B-1** and spent less than half what Khoury has, according to the latest Federal Election Commission reports.

Calvert did not respond to messages left with his Washington office and with Slevin for an interview.

"I think we're just going to let this statement stand as it is," Slevin said

In a two-page response to the congressman's statement, Khoury said, "Mr. Calvert should fire Mr. Slevin and should issue a clear apology to every citizen in the 43rd District, especially to those who wish to put the politics of race behind them.

"Would Mr. Calvert have raised the same issues had my money come from African-Americans, Jewish-Americans, Indian-Americans or other nationalities?"

Slevin's remarks were "reflective of the entire campaign of racial prejudice," said Khoury, a UC Riverside finance professor.

Hala Maksoud, head of the Washington-based American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, expressed disappointment with Calvert's response.

"It actually bothers me that someone running for Congress does not realize that what was said was cause for offense," Maksoud said. "He says half of what he should be saying."

Calvert, Khoury and Barela, a former Jurupa school board member, are running as Republicans in the June 2 primary to represent the 43rd Congressional District. Calvert, who has twice before defeated Khoury in the GOP primary, has represented the district since 1992.

Rep. Calvert dismisses call to fire aide

➤ He pledges to not make race or ethnicity an issue in his campaign.

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise

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Rep. Ken Calvert said Wednesday he will not make race or ethnicity an issue in his re-election campaign, but he has no plans to apologize for remarks made by his campaign manager that were viewed as insensitive.

The Corona Republican also said he would not heed calls by his main primary opponent to fire campaign manager Ed Slevin, who has been criticized for making race an issue two weeks ago.

In discussing Republican opponent Joe Khoury's financial base, Slevin noted that the Lebanese-born UCR finance professor's support has been "almost entirely Arab American."

After calls from Khoury and two Arab-Please see CALVERT, 3-2

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CALVERT

Continued from B-1 American groups for an apology, Calvert on Monday issued a one paragraph statement calling it "unfortunate that any offense was taken" by the remark.

That further angered the groups and prompted Khoury to call for Slevin's dismissal.

Saying "that's my decision to make, not somebody else's," Calvert refused to fire Slevin.

At the same time, Calvert said he would not make race or ethnicity issues in his re-election bid.

"I'm not going to talk about that in the campaign," he said.

Calvert already brought up such

issues, Khoury said.

"The truth is in his actions, which speak for themselves," he

James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, said he plans to continue to press for a direct apology from Calvert and the Republican Party.

Another Republican lawmaker from Southern California said both Calvert and his critics need to reevaluate their stands.

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Huntington Beach, said that Slevin's remark had been insensitive and that Calvert's statement could have been more carefully worded. But, he added, Arab-American groups and Khoury have been over-sensitive to the "off-handed comment" by Calvert's campaign manager.

"(Calvert) could have been a little bit more sympathetic when some people's feelings were hurt by his staff's comment," Rohra-bacher said. "But on the other side, when you're playing rough and ready politics . . . you can't expect not to have your feelings hurt."

The third Republican in the race, former police chaplain R.M. "Cook" Barela, also has questioned Khoury's ethnic support base. Khoury has denounced Barela's views, prompting Barela to call for an apology.

Khoury said he has no plans to apologize to Barela.

Khoury mailer makes issue of Calvert's past

Candidate mentions incident between incumbent, prostitute

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise

Republican congressional candidate Joe Khoury this week sought to equate his primary opponent, Republican Rep. Ken Calvert, with Democratic President Clinton by saying in a campaign mailer that both men lack the moral character to be American leaders.

In a letter sent to thousands of Republicans and addressed to "Dear Friend," Knoury wrote of a 1993 incident in which Calvert was stopped by Corona police in his car with a convicted prostitute.

Neither Calvert nor the woman was arrested and police said there was not enough evidence that a crime had been committed, but the incident was used against the congressman during his tight 1994 re-election bid.

The mailer evoked emotional responses from recipients, some of whom denounced Khoury for mudslinging.

Riverside City Councilwoman Maureen Kane, a Calvert supporter, said the letter "turned her stomach."

"It still doesn't say what (Khoury) believes in. He just wants to demonize Calvert," Kane said. "It's gotten old."

Calling it "the most difficult letter I've, ever written," Khoury compared Calvert and Clinton, who has been working under a cloud of allegations that he had a sexual relationship with former White House

Please see KHOURY, B-9

KHOURY

Continued from **B-1** intern Monica Lewinsky.

Special prosecutor Kenneth Starr is looking into the matter and trying to determine if the president encouraged the young woman to lie about the alleged affair. Clinton has denied ever having a sexual relationship with Lewinsky or asking anyone to lie.

"I am ashamed for my nation, and embarrassed for my four daughters that men like Bill Clinton and Ken Calvert are the kind of role models we see in government today," wrote Khoury, who is challenging Calvert for the third time in four elections for the right to represent much of western Riverside County in Congress.

"They have shown they lack the common decency, sense of right and wrong, concern for the truth and respect for women that the rest of us learned as children," Khoury stated.

Calvert, a three-term Corona Republican, described the mailer

Khoury's letter: Calling it "the most difficult letter I've ever written," Republican congressional candidate Joe Khoury sent a campaign letter equating Rep. Ken Calvert, R-Corona, with President Clinton. Khoury said that both men lack the moral character to be leaders. **B-1**

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THE AMERICAN HOMEFRONT

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News Dedicated to Serving God, Country, Family

May, 1998

Retired Police Chaplain A Sensible Choice for Congress

While many candidates speak about making a difference, congressional candidate R.M. "Cook" Barela has made a difference by representing and serving his community before local, state and national legislators. Cook Barela is known for his continuous involvement in important community issues and for holding individuals accountable for the positions of authority they have been entrusted with.

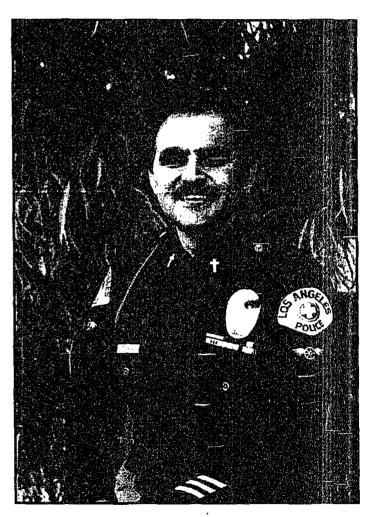
Character, Integrity and Honestly does count in public service

"Character, Integrity, and honesty does count in public service and everyday life. I have trained pastors for Christian ministry and it's important we all do what is biblically right. That is what I will take to Washington.

"I abhor mudslinging and political assaults that weaken the public's image of our American institutions. I lost two elections not because the other candidate was better qualified, but because the public was deceived and real issues were never debated. I will have nothing to do with tactics that delude public confidence in the office I am seeking to represent. Holding elected officials accountable for their actions or in-actions is what representation and leadership is all about. I have done that locally and will do so in Congress."

R.M. COOK BARELA P.O. Box 33111 RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 92519

BULK RATE U.S. POSTAGE PAID COOK BARELA



Retired Police Chaplain

"Our county is suffering from a lack of moral and respectable leadership. Our representatives seem more interested in holding the party line than in upholding what the United States Constitution demands of its representatives. The Republican Party represents what I believe in, but it is moving away from what made the party great. It supports individuals whose loyalty is measured by their party contributions more then what is best for our country. That's a concern of mine and one of the reasons I'm running for Congress.

The following story written ten years ago summarizes part of Cook Barela's life's story. It is reproduced here for your information as it appeared at that time.

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Cook Barela: leadership is spiritually motivated

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"For those who have fought for it. life has a flavor the protected will never know."

So goes the introduction to Refujio "Cook" Barela's diary of his days in Vietnam. It is an overture befitting a man who has had to fight for nearly every inch of progress gained in his life

A Los Angeles Police traffic officer by day and pastor of the Sunnyslope Community Church during evenings and Sundays. Barela, 39, in the past year also found time to lead civic protest to the Garb Oil and Milliken waste-to-energy incinerators. The Citizens Awareness Committee. founded by Barela has lobbied for a signal light at the intersection of Valley Way and 34th Street in addition to opposing the incinerator plants.

But most Jurupa residents know Barela as the president during the past year of the Jurupa Unified School District Board of Education. During his term he fought for and partially attained assistant principals for each school in the district, implemented "one of the most successful drug programs in the state," and got plans tolling to provide a cafeteria/assembly room for schools without them.

He also accepted leadership of a civic committee trying to bring a Veterans Home to Jurupa that would provide jobs and boost the local economy.

Recently Barela graduated from the first Masters of Boardmanship class of California School Roami Association - one of six persons in the state to do so. As a delegate representative for Imperial and Riverside Counties on the CSBA, he lobbicd Governor George Deukmejian on behalf of hundreds of school districts.

Barela is the kind of man who feels "like I belong" in the Sacramento statehouse while at the same time, in his day-to-day job, can sincerely term L.A.'s Skid Row as "the most fun area to work in."

"Expect a Miracle," says a wall to wall inscription behind this pastor's podium at the Sunnyslope Community Church.

With a glance at Barela's history, it is easy to see why this slogan has meaning for him and his flock.

While children today occasionally find a cardboard box to make a playhouse out of, Barela spent his early years in a house composed parily of cardboard.

Behind the cardboard front door of his boyhood home were 13 children. Four were from his father Felix's first marriage (the fist wife died). At age 37, Felix married Barela's mother Concha when she was 17 years old and sired nine more children. Barela is number 7 in the lineup.

Refujio Medina Barela came by his nickname "Cook" from his older brother who adapted the Spanish nickname Cuco to "Cookie" and later just "Cook".

Barela was born November 11 at his father's farm in Las Cruces. New Mexico, where the family raised vegetables for sale in nearby markets. A short time later, the farm failed and the family moved to the city dump in Casa Grande, Arizona, where the senior Barela made a living selling scrap metals for recycling.

When Barela was four years old, his father was killed by a drunk driver on his way back from a day of selling scrap metal in Phoenix. To this day. Barela finds satisfaction in removing dunk drivers from the streets of L.A.

Barela helped support his family until he was 17 years old, ad then he moved to Southern California. For a year he picked fruits and vegetables.

He was occasionally reminded of his older brother in the Army who had looked so sharp in his uniform. "that I hoped there would b war when I grew up so I could have a uniform like his." Barela got his chance as Vietnam escalated into full-scale war. In 1966 Barela joined the Marines, where he would serve until 1970.

"I chose the Marines because they are the best trained branch of the service and I figured the best training would give me a better chance of getting out alive," Barela says. That was before Barela was placed as M-60 rifleman in a platoon-before he realized that "a jarhead carrying an M-60 had an average life expectancy of two seconds after the first shot was fired in a fight."

Thirteen months later, everyone else in Barela's platoon had either been killed or wounded. In one ambush, he recalls, only 12 men from a platoon of 49 came out alive. In another situation, he woke up at 1 a.m. looking up the barrel of an enemy rifle in the dark.

"I should have been killed nine times that I know of," Barela says. He credits two people with saving his life. One time his platoon was saved from certain ambush cautious company commander Charles Robb, son-in-law of President Lyndon B. Johnson.

In the other case, his "Bro" Ron Moore. from Manhattan Beach, took his place as machine-gunner on dawn patrol outside Da Nang and never came back. "He had been there longer than me and he always told me 'Never volunteer for anything." But on that particular morning. Moore gave his jacket to the sleeping Barela, picked up Barela's M-60 and later walked into the ambush from which only one Marine survived.

Like many veterans from the war. Barela returned to the states somewhat disoriented and discouraged. Hungry and desperate for work, his first job stateside was going door-to-door selling encyclopedias.

After his first day. Barela returned to the office empty-handed and with doubts about his future. The sales manager wrote a quote on the blackboard and told him to memorize it: "On the plains of hesitation lie the bones of countless millions who, at the dawn of victory, laid down to rest; and resting, died."

Barela went out the next day and sold his first set of encyclopedias. "I knew then that I would never starve," he chuckles.

For the next six months Barela sold encyclopedias until signing up as a reserve deputy with the Fresno Sheriff Department. He decided he liked law enforcement and involved himself in accident investigation, eventually joining the Central Traffic Division of the Los Angeles Police Department.

Barela said he had a religious awakening in 1975 at the time his brother was dying of leukemia. Barela had been raised as a Catholic but had occasional exposure to his sister's Pentecostal church- "She used to let me use her car during the week if I went to church on Sunday."

Barela says he had a series of dreams that stirred a fervent faith in Christianity Four years and some dozens of rallies, lectures and articles later. Barela was ordained as a minister by Joseph Auron Lessin of the Fair Havens Missionary Outreach in Montebello. Barcia now serves as the only licensed and ordained minister among four chaplains now serving the L.A. Police Department.

Chief Darrel Gates appointed Barela to the special duty post in June 1985 and recently renewed his two-year term.

Fellow officers call Barela and his partner (a former Jew converted to Christianity by Barela) the "God Squad" and they refer to Barela as the "Cop who walks with God down Wilshire Boulevard."

As chaplain, Barela is charged with meeting the religious and spiritual needs of police officers and their families, be they Jewish. Protestant. Catholic, Muslim, or Agnostic "I have to be informed and knowledgeable to be of any help to such a diverse group." He spends much of his time as chaplain counseling troubled people, but more often he performs funerals for fellow officers or their families.

In spite of the morose mood he often encounters. Barela finds chaplain work rewarding. "I enjoy the opportunity to minister to people....seeing their burdens lift."

"Police officers are by far the most unchurched while at the same time being among the most spiritually needy." Bareta observes from his ministry. He adds, "Rarely do I find an unbeliever when I start talking to another officer....l guess it's part of the macho cop image that they don't acknowledge their needs and voids."

Everyone has spiritual questions like "Who am I, where did I come from, and why am I here?" contends Barela. But among people in the LAPD, the spiritual void is compounded by the feeling that "you're just a number."

Making people accept the personal. caring pan of their job is one of Barela's priorities as a member of the school board. The attitude of caring about other people is essential. Barela maintains, in making a difference with youths in the school district who are struggling with drug related problems.

"In every case, you have to acknowledge the person is human before you can help him change.

(See Barela, Page 7)

Jurupa Decision-Maker 3rd in a Series

THE AMERICAN HOMEFRONT - PAGE 2

Yes, there is a Question of Loyalty and integrity!

THE NEWS - THE PRESS ENTERPRISE AND THE CONSERVATIVE VOICE WON'T PRINT!

Joe Khoury's Dual Citizenship status,

"He, is a citizen of Lebanon and of the United States, he can vote in elections in Lebanon and if he wants to he can run for political office in Lebanon, He can have two or more passports, if he wants to, that's all right with us. He has a Lebanese Identification card. "

Los Angeles Lebanese Consulate officer

"I only use, my American Passport," Joe Khoury at a candidate forum

Joe Khoury on PAC funds –

"I don't receive, not one, not one, not one dollar of PAC money."

The Truth- According to the Federal Elections Commission records,

Since 1982, Joseph Khoury has financially contributed to Arab PAC's and has received almost exclusively PAC funds

from Arab PAC's, in his congressional campaigns

6/19/1982 Contribution by KHOURY, SARKIS J PH D - S922.00 made to AMERICANS FOR LEBANON POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (ALPAC)

9 Committee contributions - for KHOURY, S JOSEPH - 1992

AMERICAN TASK FORCE FOR LEBANON POLICY COUNCIL PAC

Treasurer: DAVID J SADD, Treasurer

01/30/92 S200,00 contribution

05/13/92 \$2,000,00 contribution

AMERICANS FOR LEBANON POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (ALPAC)

Treasurer: JOHN BARAKAT 01/01/92 \$1,000,00 contribution

06/01/92 S1,000,00 contribution

MORGAN COMPANIES POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (MORGANPAC)

Treasurer: CORY N STRUPP 09/13/91 S250,00 contribution

PHYSICIANS INTERINDEMNITY/FED-PAC

Treasurer: SABRI M EL FARRA 05/29/92 S500.00 contribution 10/17/91 S250,00 contribution

1997 AMERICANS FOR LEBANON POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (ALPAC)

(Unknown Amount), committee terminated and funds were contributed to Khoury for Congress at Orange County PO Box #

1997-98 ARAB AMERICAN LEADERSHIP POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Treasurer: JAMES JOSEPH ZOGBY - Funds contributed have been supposedly returned, no record to substantiate this found

Joe Khoury, "There is no Hispanic running..."

Response from the "Latino Leaders" that signed the letter

John M. Sotelo - Signed letter, didn't look at it much - I was thinking about Calvert. I was focused on getting Calvert out Luz Maria Ayala - I want to see that letter. I don't think. I don't believe I signed it. I would not have signed it.

Andres Luis Soto - no phone fax only, no return on fax inquiry

Glen Ayala I have not seen the letter. He came here to my house I liked what he said.

Mary Ayala - wife of Glen never spoke to her

Javier Rosalex - It in was in a crowd, the letter was passed around, I was not aware there was a Hispanic running Jennie Rivera - I really didn't read the letter. I didn't have my glasses on, I saw where Glen and Mary had signed it, so I Richard Perez - Well. I heard that there were only two contenders. I never saw your name in the paper.

Amador Corona - I didn't know, why haven't we seen your name in the papers? I read them and haven't seen your name

Tom C. Ruiz - I didn't know there was a Latino running, why have you not come around, you should be a Democrat-The following "Latino Leaders," that signed the letter, were Not registered to Vote.

Ignacio Leon Sr., Mario Perez, Alfred R. Figueroa, George Mesa, Anita M Garcez (Franco), Ralph V. Medina CARPERS ASSESSED TO THE STREETS .

·...ye do un beso, y le robo los calcetines...."

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Translated from a Spanish conversation, with Hispanic congressional candidate Cook Barcia.

"Joe Khoury gave the "Latino leaders," a kiss in the cheek while he stole their socks right from under them. Then he called them sophisticated to further obfuscate them."

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"I don't believe our founding fathers designed a

government that would allow for the election of

congressmen who have a foot planted firmly in two

COOK BARELA

separate nations, after all wasn't that what the war

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OM NYTHONAL DEFENSE

Duty and patriotism are not political words added to this campaign.

COOK BARELA has fought for our country and has served to preserve the American Values we all cherish.

Cook Barrla served combat duty in the Marine Corps from 1966–1970. During the Vietnam War, he served on the front line as a machine gunner. His fellow Marines have credited him with saving many of their lives during fierce battles against battle-savvy Chinese Communist-trained North Vietnamese soldiers. For his service he was awarded by his country and the government of South Vietnam several ribbons and medals:

The Combat Action Ribbon, **Presidential Unit Citation with two bronze stars**, Marine Corps Mentorious Unit Citation, **Marine Good Conduct Medal**, National Defense Medal, **Vietnam Service Medal with three bronze stars**, the Cross of Gallantry Mentorious Unit Medal, **the Civic Action Meritorious Unit medal** and Vietnam Campaign Medal.

COOK BARELA believes in peace and in a strong National Defense. We must have military strength before we can have effective diplomacy, that is the only power China and some third world governments understand. Today there are nations like Iraq, Iran, Libya, Lebanon, Syria and others that house terrorist organizations who are experimenting with biological, chemical and nuclear devices that threaten our national interest in the Middle East. Our US armed forces are not protected, properly trained or equipped to deal with these new emerging terrorist threats. We must:

1. Rebuild our National Defense

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- 2. Withdraw our troops from Bosnia
- 3. Ensure that American foreign interest reflects American interest first
- Train local law enforcement officers on how to deal with domestic and international terrorist incidents

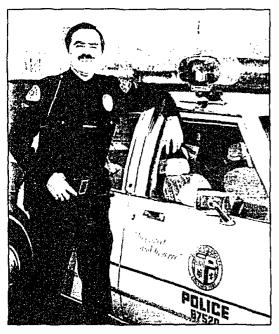
Proven Dedicated Service to Family

R.M. COOK BARELA for Congress

Retired Police Chaplain Retired Los Angeles Police Officer Crime Analyst School Board Member Vietnam Veteran

MY CHRISTIAN CONSERVATIVE
AMERICAN FAMILY VALUES AND
VIEWS ARE SOLIDLY BASED ON
THE BIBLICAL
PRINCIPLES THAT MADE OUR
COUNTRY GREAT.

COOK BARELA



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WHILE POLITICIANS TALK ABOUT CRIME COOK BARELA HAS WORKED TOWARD REDUCING CRIME

Apprehending Criminals - Incarcerating Drug Dealers - Jailing Gang Members

While some politicians stand next to law enforcement officers or police squad cars to show their concern about crime, Cook Barela has the experience of apprehending criminals, gang members, and drug dealers. He is committed to making our homes, streets and schools safe from gangs, drug dealers and criminal predators.

Cook Barela served as a field police officer, traffic accident investigator, drug enforcement, the gang task force and implemented LAPD Northeast Division's successful Crime Analysis Detail. He served as the only ordained sworn chaptain on the police force before retiring on July 41 1992.

Our Criminal Justice system is in serious need of an overhaul. It no longer protects our rights to be secure in our persons, homes, business, in our schools, or in our travels. Those rights have been violated by a justice system that protects criminal rights above citizens who comply with the law.

I support:

- 1. Capital punishment for first degree murder
- 2. The elimination of criminal plea-bargaining
- 3. Full time served for crimes committed
- 4. Better trained Law-Enforcement Officers
- 5. A Better equipped Police Force

PROVEN LEADER IN DUR SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY

IN EDUCATION

Responsibilities of public office aren't something new to **Cook Barela**, he was elected to the Board of Education of the Jurupa Unified School District in 1985 where he served as clerk of the board and board president.

COOK BARTIA introduced and was responsible for over 46 new school improvement policy changes.

With the support of his fellow school board members, he was elected or appointed to serve on several local, county, state and federal school based organizations. There he exercised the influence of a school board member, his commitment to education, his integrity and a strong sense of fiscal responsibility to lobby our state and federal officials for local school needs.

"Reduced class sizes with unqualified teachers is not going to answer our educational needs."

- 1. We need a return to basic successful educational programs.
- 2. To provide a safe learning environment.
- 3. Committed teachers.
- 4. Motivated students.
- 5. Accountability from School Administrators
- 6. Accountability from School Board Members



R.M. Cook Barela representing our Educational needs in Washington, D.C.

R.M. COOK BARELA for Congress

The Barela Family, (Clockwise), Marylu, Joannah, Cook, Serah, Elizabeth, Rebekah, Deborah

ON AMERICAN FAMILY VALUES

The foundation of American family values and human relationships begin at home. America's greatest wealth remains in its family structure.

Today, we pay the highest taxes ever demanded from families in our nation's history. Both partners must work just to make ends meet and we pay almost 40% of our wages in taxes. This is one of the reasons family time has suffered. Commitment to our families, religious beliefs, schools and civic responsibilities has taken a backseat to meeting these financial needs. We became so busy making a living, we begin to tolerate certain levels of social immoral practices, which have now filtered into and are destroying our family structures from within.

No leaders in congress, today, are actively seeking a real reduction in the amount of taxes we pay. As your congressman I can assure you that this will be one of my priorities.

An Accomplished Leader from Our Community

Decorated Vietnam War Veteran, USMC: Los Angeles Police Officer, Police Chaplain, Crime Analyst; Elected-School Board, Jurupa Unified School District: Elected-Delegate Assemblyman, Riverside County, CSBA; Legislative Member, California School Board Association; Elected-Federal Relations Legislative Representative. National School Boards Association; Commissioner, Riverside County Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission; Member, Riverside County Substance Abuse Network; Member, State Attorney General's School/Law Enforcement Partnership Cadre; Founder, Citizens Awareness Committee; VFW Post Commander, Jurupa Post 10271; Chairman, Jurupa Veterans Home Committee; Member, American Legion; Member, Vietnam Veterans of America: Chairman, Jurupa Christmas Canned Food Drive; Board Member, Jurupa YMCA; Ordained Christian Minister; Masters Degree, Fuller Theological Seminary. Writer and Lecturer: Substance Abuse, AIDS & Youth at Risk, Early Christianity, Terrorism.

REPRESENTATION FROM REAL LIFE EXPERIENCES

Traditional Values Propositions Recommendations

YES Prop. 219 Stops the use of "Ballot Box Blackmail" by politicians and will guarantee benefits of all ballot measures will be provided fairly and equally to the people of every community in California, regardless of how that county voted on the measure. It would eliminate the use of words which give the voter no choice but to vote for the measure. It would maintain the democratic process and integrity of the initiative system.

— Prop. 220 Provides for consolidation of superior and municipal courts in county upon approval by a majority of county's superior and municipal judges. This measure would do away with the municipal court and there would be one single superior court instead. Municipal judges would automatically without review of their qualifications be promoted to superior court judges.

YES Prop. 221 This measure gives the California Commission on Judicial Performance discretionary authority to oversee and discipline court commissioners and referees according to the same standards as judges. Presently they are subject to the oversight and discipline of the Presiding judges of local courts whose cases they hear. This is a positive step towards judicial reform.

YES Prop. 222 Keeps murderers behind bars longer with no early release. This measure provides persons convicted of murder to no longer be eligible to receive credits for good conduct or participation in work or education programs that reduce the time they must stay in prison. Also, provides second degree murder of peace officer on duty punishable by life in prison without parole where aggravating factors are present.

NO Prop. 223

Authored by the LA Unified Teachers Union this measure means that School districts could spend no more that 5 percent on central administrative costs. The remaining money, at least 95 percent of total funds, would have to be spent on direct services to students, school site employees and school facilities. Districts not in compliance will be fined as much as \$175 per student. This money is then redistributed throughout the state. Since smaller school districts will find it most difficult to comply, the larger districts will be the real beneficiaries of this measure.

NO Prop. 224 This measure was funded and sponsored by state bureaucrats mostly Cal-Trans employees to ensure they would get the bulk of state contracts and cut out private engineering contractors. This proposition increases the state bureaucracy and will cost tax-payers in higher taxes. This measure is decidedly slanted in favor of public employees and discourages private contracting. This will most directly affect highway, hospital and school construction and earthquake retrofits. This measure is opposed by the California Chamber of Commerce, League of Cities, and the California Taxpayers Assn.

NO Prop. 225 This measure would direct Members of the California Legislature and Members of Congress from California to vote for passage of an amendment to the United States Constitution to limit United States Senators to no more than two terms (12 years) and United States Representatives to no more than three terms (6 years). If any candidate for either house of the Legislature or for Congress does not support the proposed amendment, the ballot would indicate that fact. Although TVC supports Ferm Limits, this measure opens the door for all kinds of ballot indications.

YES Prop. 226 This is the most important measure on this ballot! Will stop unions from funding liberal politicians with the unlimited coffers of their employees dues. Requires employee's or union member's written permission to withhold wages or union dues for political contributions. Also, prohibits foreign national contributions to state and local candidates.

YES Prop. 227
Requires students with limited English proficiency be taught in special classes using English immersion techniques instead of the bi-lingual classes taught mostly in Spanish. It does give the parents the right to opt for traditional bi-lingual classes for their children if they feel it is necessary. The end result desired is English literacy at all ages.



On the right is R.M. Cook Barela, 43rd Congressional District candidate, with Phyllis Schlafly, President of Eagle Forum, and Lou Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition

The highest glory of the American revolution was this: it united in one indissoluble bond, the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity.

John Quincy Adams

Cook Barela A Powerful Leader at a time our nation needs leaders

Barela, continued from Page 2

Sometimes just having someone recognize their existence is enough for a kid to change," he says

Barela's work as a chaplain and lecturer has come in handy at the Sunnyslope Community Church where he has recently accepted the position of interim pastor. He will continue to serve there until a full-time pastor can be secured.

Amid the heavy demands on his time is Barcla's top priority-time with his wife of 10 years. Marylu, and their five daughters: Rebekah Christina. 9: Serah Janine. 7: Deborah Dianthe. 6: Joannah Bernice. 4: and Annah Elizabeth. 2. He also has two sons from a previous marriage. Troy. 20, and Jeromy. 15.

Daughter Rebekah provided the inspiration for Barela to seek office on the school board. Her poor classroom performance after the family's move to Juripa concerned Barela, and as he worked to help her improve, he began to see things he wanted to change in the school district. When his campaign began, he had a list of 49 changes he wanted to make-20 of which have been done or are being done, says Barela.

Topping his list for the next year is mastery of the legislative issues which will have an impact on the Jurupa Unified School District. It's a complex job, he says, to grasp some 70 spending bills pending in the state legislature, each of which would change income in the local district.

He is also concerned with the "vulture system" of student placement which encourages districts to rob other districts of students in their attendance area in order to gain the supplemental state income

Barela supports cityhood for Jurupa but his personal political ambitions go higher. If he can master the legislative issues, he says, he hopes to run for state or federal office after his returement from the LAPD after another three years.

That way he could combine his analytical skills, his capacity to find compromise and his desire to help people to produce "the utmost positive effect for everyone."

At the same time he is improving education for others. Barela has been working to enhance his own education. While in the Marine Corps. Barela obtained a G.E.D. equivalent to a high

school degree, and later attended Cerritos College and East Los Angeles Junior College. He holds lifetime teacher's credentials for driver's training and administration of justice.

This Spring, Barela intends to enroll at RCC to complete requirements for a degree in administration of justice. Barela says he may switch to political science later

A student of the school of hard knocks. Barela says whatever success he attains is due to making the most of every opportunity and sharing his bounty with others.

"Soon you'll find that you are always at the right place at the right time." he says.

Somehow Barela finds time for a few hobbies-golf, photography and writing. His photography is mostly color but occasionally he has taken black and white prints which were subsequently purchased by the Associated Press. Barela is an avid writer, having published several articles on terrorism and religion.

** Today, Cook Barela has retured from the Police Force, he is the senior pastor of FACES, a family outreach organization and has obtained his Master's Degree from Fuller Theological Seminary, in Pasadena.

R.M. COOK BARELA Retired Police Chaplain Endorsed by Dr. James C. Dobson

Well known, Republican Christian conservative, Dr. James C. Dobson has endorsed Congresional candidate R.M. Cook Barela for the 43rd Congressional District.

R. M. "COOK" BARELA

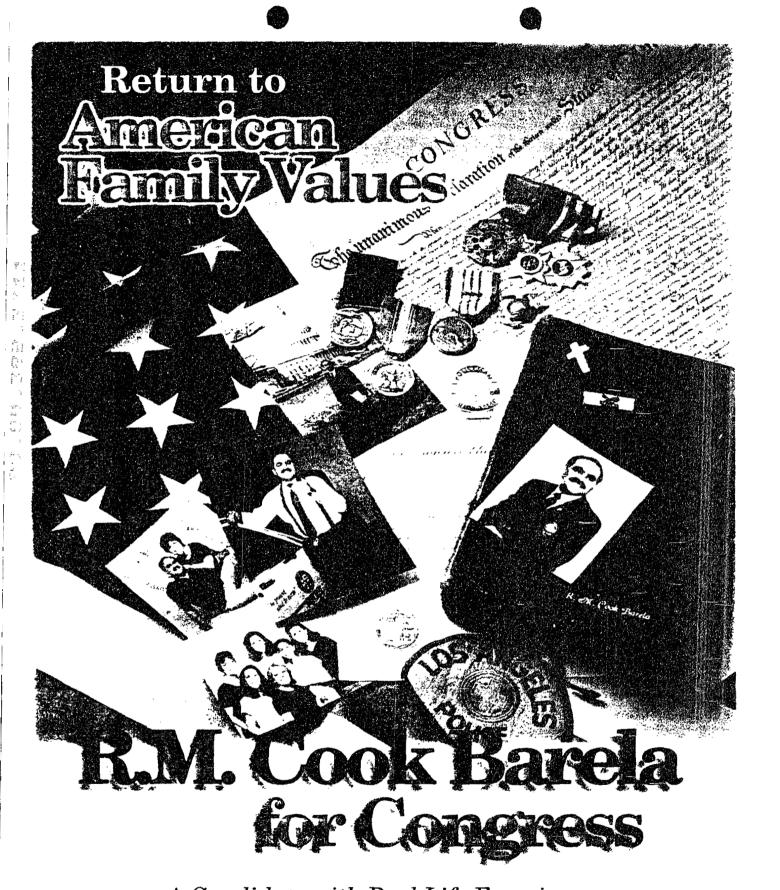
"The Republican leadership in Congress, must reflect the values and views of the majority of American families, otherwise we are leading where no one is following."

COOK BARELA



Congressional Priorities:

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- Seek the Reduction of all taxes paid; support a simple one page IRS tax form.
- ✓ Pay off our National Debt, The national debt today, \$5,548,018,308,389.50, Your share: \$20,755.73.
- ✓ Eliminate criminal plea bargaining on serious felonies, drug sales & possession.
- ✓ Seek Higher Education tax credit; make provisions for IRA-type Education Savings Account.
- Provide opportunity for a secured retired system.
- √ 100% tax deduction for preventive health care needs.
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National Security Special Edition

Special Insert

THE PRESS ENTERPRISE

Reported on April 30, 1998 that two Arab American leaders were demanding an apology for what they called as anti-Arab remarks, however the public was never informed on just who those organization leaders speaking in defends of Joe Khoury were.

They were James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, and Hala Maksoud, head of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Dr. James Zogby is referred to in the Speciator story on the right.

Mr. Maksond's ADC committee is accessible via the Internet at http://www.adc.org/index4.html

AMERICAN-ARAB ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE (ADC)

ADC is actively involved in the Middle East peace talks while pushing for action on Israeli human rights violations in the occupied territories. Other projects included a special conference on the crisis in Somalia and calling for a more balanced policy toward Bosnia. Ongoing projects include combatting Arab bashing in the media: a campaign to introduce accurate information on the Arab world and Islam in the nation's schools; the internship and leadership development program for college age students; and, outreach to other civil rights and social justice organizations.

The Arab-American Connection Lebanon's Financial Support for Congressional Campaigns as Reported in the *Spectator*

Al Gore's Arab Moneyman

American Speciator
November 1997
by Kenneth R. Timmerman

The story of a suspended ambassadorial nomination

Clinton-Gore hubris knows no bounds. In the thick of the campaign finance hearings on Capitol Hill, the White House has nominated a controversial DNC fundraiser. Edward M. Gabriel, to become United States Ambassador to Morocco, a key country to the Middle East peace process.

Gabriel's name was formally submitted to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on September 8, before the FBI had completed its background investigation into Gabriel's finances, business connections, or personal life. Perhaps the White House was hopin g Jesse Helms and his staff would be contrite for blocking ex-Massachuseits governor William Weld from becoming ambassador to Mexico, or that Gabriel's tobacco-lobbyist wife. Kathleen "Buffy" Linehan (who works for Phillip Morris), would suffice to woo to bacco-stater Helms.

As it turned out, the moment was ill-timed, and the candidate ill-starred. A scant ten days later, as we reported on The American Spectator's web site on September 18, the White House was forced to turn over Gabriel's file to the Justice Department for further investigation of allegations tying him to murky Arab campaign donations to the ONC and the Clinton-Gore re-election campaign.

A few hours before Lebanese financier Roger Tamraz was to testify before the Senate. Governmental Affairs Committee, committee staffers received a mysterious call from someone claiming to be Tamraz who alleged that Tamraz had been solicited by Gabriel to donate \$50,000 to the DNC through the Arab American Institute, a Washington-based non-profit group. Gabriel called the allegation "science fiction." and in his public testimony later that day. Tamraz said he had not made the phone call and didn't know Gabriel. Nevertheless Jesse Helms announced he was postponing Gabriel's confirmation hearing "indefinitely."

Two things are certain about this curious case. Ed Gabriel has powerful enemies, and he made them by hitching his wagon to two highly controversial Arab-American lobbyists in Washington: James Zogby and Abdulrahman Alamouti. In the "bad old days" when the State Department and Congress still considered the PLO a terrorist organization, both men were staunch backers of Yasir Arafat. More recently, Zogby has called on Arab states to reinvigorate the secondary boycott against Israel, which aims to deter U. S. companies by threatening to ban them from contracts in the Arab world if they do business with Israel.

The Arab Campaign Connection -

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Meanwhile, Alamouch who heads the American Muslim Council that was invited to the White House by Hillary Rodham Clinton during the Muslim Eid holidays, has been raising funds for "charitable" organizations whose branches in Gaza and the West Ba nk were closed down in late September by none other than Arafat. The PLO chairman accused them of supporting the military wing of Hamas, the radical Islamic group that has claimed responsibility for recent suicide bombings in Israel Zoighy, Gabriel, and Alamoudi sat together on the steering committee of Arab Americans for Clinton/Gore 190 and frequently appear at functions organized by Zogby's Arab American Institute.

Given these connections, one could easily suspect the pro-Israeli lobby of seeking to sabotage Gabriel's nomination. Not only has Gabriel supported radical Arab causes, but if confirmed would serve in a moderate Arab country whose ruler. King Hassan II, has long been an "honest broker" between Israel and its Arab neighbors and protected Morocco's Jewish community.

TAS was itself tipped off to Gabriel by an anonymous source who called several days before Gabriel's nomination became public knowledge. Claiming to be a former DNC employee, the caller made detailed allegations about Gabriel's activities as a fundraiser for Clinton-Gore and ties to former Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary and Vice President Al Gore, his biggest backer at the White House. None of the pro-Israeli organizations and lobbyists we contacted was aware of Gabriel's pending nomination, nor did any have lum on their radar sorren.

In subsequent conversations, the anonymous "former DNC employee" alleged that Gabriel served as a conduit for campaign contributions to the DNC from Arab businessmen in Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, and Syria. The source claimed the tunds were solicited by Gabriel, and occasionally by Zogby, and were deposited into accounts controlled by Zogby's Arab American Institute, which then paid out the moneys to Arab Americans who could legally contribute to the campaign. "These are people who have no resources, who are not on the board of any organization." the source said about these nominal donors. "They sent in checks of \$1,000, \$5,000, occasionally \$10,000, but never more. We're talking about several hundred thousand dollars in soft and hard money."

According to FEC records, Gabriel, Zogby, and board members of such groups as the Arab American Institute contributed more than \$180,000 to Democratic campaigns during the 1995-1996 cycle. (Other AAI members contributed to Arab-American Republican candidates.) But if our source this is just the money that appears on the surface is correct.

In telephone interviews Zogby admitted to having solicited money for his institute from Arab businessmen, but denied serving as a conduit for donations to the DNC. "Our PAC does not support Democratic causes. It supports Arab-American candidates, both Democrats and Republicans." he said. In a letter to the September 20 Washington Times, he called allegations that he was funneling foreign Arab money into the Chinon-Gore campaign "anti-Arab bigotry." "There are Arab businessmen who have contributed to the institute -- that's true," he told TAS. "But there was no money-for-favors. That's an unfair allegation, because it's just not true. I go to Sauda Arabia, Yemen, Kuwait, Lebanon, the West Bank regularly. And there are people over there who have contributed. But I haven't gone there specifically to solicit contributions."

But Zogby clearly seems to be hiding something. Three times we went to his offices to request a copy of his institute's tax forms -- as a nonprofit group it is required by law to make them available on its premises -- and each time Zogby refused to sho withem to us. Zogby claims his institute operates on a \$700,000 annual budget, but the "former DNC employee" who called us said AAI distributed between \$1 and \$2 million in 1996. Without the tax forms, which Zogby has illegally withheld, there is no way to determine who is telling the truth. At least three congressional committees are now investigating Gabriel and Zogby and the possibility of an "Arabgate" at the DNC

It turns out that Gabriel and Zogby's most determined enemies are not American Jews, but Lebanese-Americans bitterly opposed to Syria's illegal occupation of Lebanon and the U.S.'s acceptance of this state of affairs. Last July the State Department, following a major lobbying effort on behalf of the Syrian-controlled Lebanese government of billionaire Rafic Harin, lifted its ban on travel to Lebanon. Gabriel and Zogby played central roles in this effort. The lifting means U.S. business is now free to invest in projects controlled by Harin and his Saudi and Syrian partners

Gabriel used his position as a founder and executive committee member of a Hariri-supported nonprofit, the pro-Syrian American Task Force for Lebanon (AFFL). to lobby Congress and the administration to have the travel ban lifted in this activity he was aided by Zogby, who serves with Gabriel on the AFFL board, just as Gabriel served on the governing board of Zogby's Arab American Institute

As George Cody, executive director of the ATFL and one of Gabriel's biggest supporters, told TAS. "Ed Gabriel has been very instrumental on the travel ban He has raised this at every opportunity, including during meetings with Vice President Gore and with President Clinton." Cody went even further: "Gabriel is being supported in this nomination [as ambassador to Morocco] by Gore. He has an excellent relationship with the VP and with the president." Though Cody personally recalled paying three visits to the White House with Zogby and Gabriel, other sources tell TAS that Gabriel logged in to visit the vice president at the White House no fewer than seventeen times. Neither the vice president's office nor the White House Counsel's office would respond to questions about Gabriel, his ties to Gore. Ins fundraising activities, or his business and lobbying activities, despite repeated requests. Nor would they authorize Gabriel to comment before his nomination hearing.

Gabriel's ATFL has received two grants from the Clinton administration \$100,000 from the Agency for International Development in 1993 to host a conference on Lebanon, and another \$25,000 in 1995 to conduct a symposium on Lebanon's capital markets — a topic of great interest to Harri, who has single-handedly floated several hundred million dollars in Lebanese government bonds on the international market to support his construction projects.

What may finally do in Gabriel's nomination, however, could have little to do with Lebanon. For one thing, there are his ties to Al Gore. Zogby and Cody both acknowledge that Gore was the driving force behind Gabriel's nomination, and that Gabriel was a regular White House visitor as both DNC fundraiser and board member of Arab-American organizations. Said one White House source. "Zogby came in here and pounded on the table in front of the vice president, and said you've got to appoint this guy." When we asked Zogby whether he'd lobbied Gore on Gabriel's behalf, Zogby called Gabriel "as qualified as anybody else. I've seen." Although Gabriel is Lebanese American, he does not speak Arabic, or any other foreign language, and has no foreign affairs experience.

Also under scrutiny are Gabriel's links to former Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary, who's already the subject of a Justice Department preliminary probe that could lead to the appointment of an independent counsel. Gabriel, a long-time friend of O'Leary's, invited her to be guest of honor at a \$100,000 DNC

fundraiser that he held at his Washington home in the summer of 1996. On the resume distributed by the White House. Gabriel is listed as an "energy consultant." But the background bio that's being circulated by the ATFL in support of his nonmation states he worked as an "adviser to Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary."

The most explosive of Ed Gabriel's many explosive contacts may be with the Iraqi regime of Saddam Hussein. In late 1993 or early 1994, TAS has learned, a Gabriel associate named Tracy Chamoun, along with Lebanese businessman Charles Chidiac, approached Iraq's U.N. ambassador Nizar Hamdoon with a indelicate proposition. According to one of the participants, as well as other sources with knowledge of the meeting, the pair told Hamdoon they were so plugged into the Clinton administration they could "guarantee" a lifting of the U.N. oil embargo on Iraq. Chamoun's lobbying partner in this effort, the sources said, was to be Edward M. Gabriel himself. The asking price for this very special service. \$5 million! The Iraqi ambassador reportedly laughed off Chamoun's presumptuousness and dismissed the offer out of hand. Conveniently for Gabriel, Chamoun's husband told us she was out of the country and could not be reached for several weeks—perhaps not until after Gabriel's confirmation hearing? That is, if Jesse Heims ever puts it on the calendar.

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THE PRICE OF FREEDOM IS ETERNAL VIGILANCE

"Calvert's fund-raising bill brings partisan sniping."

Press Enterprise, February 27, 1998

Editor Press Enterprise,

1. 5 7. Just a bunch of fluff and background noise accompanied Mr. Calvert's fund-raising bill, says congressional candidate Cook Barela.



Over a month ago I shared with Congressman Ken Calvert that I supported his bill (H. R. 2866, which would not go into effect until 1999), but would include that a candidate should only be allowed to receive 50 % of their campaign funds from local citizens within his district and the rest from residents within the state. That concept was not considered in Mr. Calvert's bill and if he was serious it would have included more then just the nine original co-sponsors and would have called for the elimination of all PAC's campaign contributions as well. A simple one dollar per registered voter in a congressional district for campaign expenditure should be a sufficient amount of campaign expenditure by a congressional candidate.

It's obvious that out-of-state and PAC's money interferes with the rights of voters to select their own officials. The constitutional principles of one-person-one-vote and election "by the people" are offended by the spending of campaign money that is raised out-of-state from persons who do not have the right to vote in the election. These cash constituents from afar are affecting, in many cases decisively, who ends up representing "the people" of the district or state conducting the election.

Questionable is where funds from other states originate. Outside the state contributions should require full disclosure, a concept also not included in Mr. Calvert's bill. The framers of the constitution seemed to have had in mind that Congressional Representatives were to represent their state, not just their district (found in original wording of the Constitution Article I, Section 2, Apportionment of Representatives and Direct Taxes). I don't oppose funds raised from within a representatives state.

However, the Clinton/Gore Campaign Finance Abuse investigation reveals some presidential campaign contributions originated in China, or as in a recent GOP investigation from Hong Kong, other funds associated with the President seem to have come from other foreign sources. Such contributions makes the voice of other nations just as equal if not more powerful a contributing factor on who is elected to office, and because of this the local vote and influence is bypassed.

The 17th Amendment was adopted in 1913 to provide for the election of U.S. Senators "by the people" of "each State." Its purpose was to break the political stranglehold of corporations over the U.S. Senate by removing from state legislators the power to appoint

Senators, that political stronghold via PAC's and outside funding still governs in the election of today's Congressman.

Senator Joseph Bristow, author of the 17th Amendment, declared that the "great financial and industrial institutions" were using their power "in a most reprehensible and scandalous manner," spending "enormous amounts of money in corrupting legislatures to elect to the Senate men of their own choosing." Standing on the Senate floor in 1911, he asked: "Shall the people of this country be given an opportunity to elect their own Senators, or have them chosen by legislatures that are controlled by influences that do not many times reside within the State that those Senators are supposed to represent?"

It is a question that needs to be echoed in today's congressional race.

I question a candidate's allegiance that owes their offices to outside financial contributors, because they would have no obligation to the people of their district or state. Out of State fund raising diminishes the independent representation of the people of each state and exacerbates the political neglect of the home-state poor by making elected officials more accountable to Political action Groups or the national interests of wealthy groups and industries, such groups may also have middle East or communist countries connections, such as China or Libya, where we know Maj. Gen. Mu'ammar al-Qadhafi has tried to influenced American politics through financially supporting individuals like Muslim leader Louis Farrakhan.

While Polls show the public is fed up with the current system, it seems like its going to have to take a big scandal, where members of Congress face investigation or prosecution, to force legislative action in this area, until then it is all just fluff, background noise placed there to entertain the public.

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APRIL 21, 1998

Dear Mr. Luke Clark

Once again I have been excluded from participation in a story involving congressional candidates of the 43rd district. I had written Mr. Dion Nissenbaum about this and attached a note for of this concern some time ago, but the practice continues without abatement.

I don't understand why the Press Enterprise has chosen not to print any of my press releases, campaign meetings and or fund raising activities. This is not what I would expect from a newspaper seeking national recognition.

Today's article does not even mention me as a candidate for congress. Granted that I was not a candidate prior to the last financial reporting period but a simple statement to that effect would have been appreciated.

I believe the public has a right to know that information and while I did not began any fund raising until I was officially on the ballot, all of the funds I have so far received have been gained from within the 43rd congressional district, but I was never contacted about this nor given an opportunity to respond. I believe the fact that all of my funds have come from within the district is important and part of the subject matter covered in the story.

The fact that none of the campaign funds have been used to pay for the salaries for a political consultant or for the salaries of individuals working on my campaign, is another important item of possible interest to the community about a congressional candidate.

That I was not given the opportunity to respond to the financial contributions or the professional consultations and racial concern of the other two candidates was not right. It was not fair political reporting and contrary to American liberties we should be able to enjoy as an informed public. I believe as a qualified candidate for congress I deserved at least the courtesy of the opportunity to respond.

Had I been contacted I might have mentioned that, "I also am concerned that 85% of the funds Mr. Khoury has received come from individuals with origins in the Middle East and there is no way of verifying that they are indeed American citizens.

Contrary to what Mr. Khoury has said the fact that the vast majority of his contributors are Arabs can be verified via the FEC documents which are also available via the internet at http://www.tray.com/fecweb/1998/cand/house/0/2CA00021.htm

Or we can go direct to the contributors site at http://www.tray.com/cgi-win/98xitoc.exe?

While Mr. Khoury further stated that he has received no pack money, the FEC reveals that he has indeed received funds from a PAC, The "ARAB AMERICAN LEADERSHIP POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE", "PAC/Qualified-(higher limit)", in November of 1997. But he did not report it as a PAC contribution.

The main site for this information is located at http://www.tray.com/feeweb/1998/maces/ca_43.htm And is available to anyone wishing to see where and who is contributing to whom in this race.

Had I as a Hispanic, reported that 85% of my campaign contributors were Hispanics or Mexicans, I would have been crucified and my integrity as to whom am I going to represent in congress questioned. I would have questioned who I was representing. Not of this is true concerning my contributors.

Had I been contacted I might have also mentioned that Mr. Khoury can also enjoy duel citizenship, that means that since he is a former citizen from Lebanon, he has that opportunity available to him to retain duel citizenship rights.

Duel citizenship is a concern of mine that I have addressed in some of speeches and communications, especially once Mexico allowed duel citizenship rights this year.

These are not racist but legitimate American concerns, that others that already addressed in a number of news articles, for example they can be found in the following news articles,

The Wall Street Journal Interactive Edition - March 25, 1998, Dual Citizenship Stirs Debate: Is It a Double-Edged Sword?

By G. PASCAL ZACHARY, Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

The Wall Street Journal Interactive Edition - March 18, 1998, Edit Page Features, Dual Citizens, Good Americans

By PETER H. SCHUCK and PETER J. SPIRO

Los Angeles Times, Monday, April 6, 1998, COLUMN ONE, Pledging Multiple Allegiances. A global blurring of boundaries challenges notions of nationality. U.S. analysts worry about a rise in dual citizenships of convenience. By MARK FRITZ, Times Staff Writer

Are among the most recent articles dealing with this problem. Where American elected officials represent their native countries concerns in the United States.

(INSERT FROM THE TIMES ARTCLE):

Galvis, asked whether he could represent his Hackensack constituents while splitting time in Colombia, said he would have been like a U.S. congressman with an office in his district and one in Washington. In each place, he said, "I would be representing the Colombians in the United States."

The U.S. State Department reserves the right to revoke the citizenship of Americans who vote in foreign elections, seek a foreign citizenship or run for foreign office, yet almost never does. During the last 30 years, the courts have sharply limited the State Department's ability to revoke citizenship, except in the case of the occasional Nazi war criminals who seem to surface on a regular basis.

In recent years, in fact, the rules have made it easier for people who dodged the Vietnam War by fleeing to Canada to come home and resume their citizenship. By 1994, the U.S. rules had been liberalized to the point where even Winston Churchill, who had an American mother, could easily claim U.S. citizenship if he were alive today.

Some other examples of tacit U.S. support for dual citizenship:

- Last year, when Secretary of State Madeleine Albright announced an end to a decade-old ban on U.S. travel to Lebanon, she referred to the hardship the ban was causing to thousands of Americans with dual Lebanese citizenship.
- Beirut's Marriott Hotel and Casino is run by a man with U.S. and Lebanese citizenship.
- * Also last year, the U.S. State Department and Slovakia rescinded an old treaty, thereby enabling "the citizens of both countries to hold dual citizenship," the Slovak Embassy in Washington said.
- * Two years ago, Washington protested when Israel threatened to revoke the residency rights of Palestinian Americans in Jerusalem unless they surrendered their American passports. In that case, the U.S. was in effect acting to protect dual allegiances.
 - The State Department said that as far as it can tell, Hussein Mohammed Aidid, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, is still a naturalized American citizen as well as Somalia's most powerful warlord.

There does come a time when we need to question what is occurring in America politics today, with China buying into American politics, who will be representing American interest in Congress in the next decade is important.

When a congressional candidate such as Mr. Khoury obtains the majority of his funds from Arab Americans the majority of which do not live in the district, who he will represent in congress should be a concern of all Americans. Who's interest will he be voting for?

This is not a racial question as Mr. Khoury would have us believe, I am of Hispanic origin, my family members Barela fought on the union side during the civil war, I am a proud American, have fought for my country my loyalty to my country is evident from my service to it at time of war.

Mr. Khoury moved into this district to run for congress and he has contributed nothing to our communities. What happened to the time when we elected people to represent us that reflected our local values and who had contributed to our communities, who were known to us and could be trusted to represent our interest?

At times in this race I feel that I am running against four different people, the two Ed's and the two declared candidates.

Who am I in this race against? Is it Mr. Joe Khoury or Ed Rollins, is it Mr. Ken Calvert I am trying to unseat or Ed Slevin?

Who are we electing to office? Mr. Rollins and Mr. Slevin? I would have appreciated an opportunity to respond.

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Press Release:

Hispanic congressional candidate ignored. A Demand for an Apology from The Press Enterprise Newspaper,

May 5, 1998

Hispanics can skip voting this June, The Press Enterprise ignores them anyways, says congressional Candidate, R.M. Cook Barela, in a press release, released to the Associated Press and Hispanic radio and television stations across America.

Riverside, CA. –Hispanic Americans ought to stay home next election. Their votes will not be informed votes if the Press Enterprise in Riverside has say so or not.

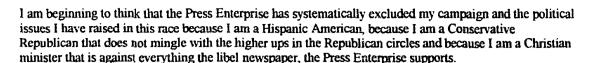
Last January R.M. Cook Barela, a Hispanic American, Vietnam Veteran, retired Police Officer and Chaplain, an ordained Christian Pastor and former School Board member qualified for the 43rd congressional ballot in Riverside, county. He qualified the old fashion way by seeking out signatures instead of paying the full filing fee as most candidates do.

To the irritation of the Republican Party he refuses to name the Republicans and Democrats that support him in California's new blanket Primary. Barela calls such practices, "The Affirmative Action of politics." "If I can't stand on my own merit and accomplishments, why do I need someone else to sign a little slip of paper that says they think I am ok, my own achievements and qualifications speak for themselves."

He irritates both the Republicans and some Democrats, by saying that it will be Democrats that will be electing the next Republican congressmen from this district.

"If the democratic candidate in this race remembers to vote for himself he will be his party's nominee, since this is a Republican district the voting public can then go Christmas shopping in June. They will actually be able to finally vote across party lines for the candidate of their choice. Before, once the Republican primary was over, they had no choice and had to settle for the candidate the Republican Party chose. California's new blanket primary will give them that choice and I am the only Republican that enjoys strong bipartisan support because I have contributed so much to the communities, I have served."

But Cook Barela's voice remains silent in newsprint, The Riverside Press Enterprise and a local Republican conservative newspaper have refused to announce his candidacy much less print many of his speaking engagements and activities. The Conservative Voice even refused to print a full page colored advertisement because the PR firm that owns the newspaper has been hired by a candidate opposing Mr. Barela. The Ad appears in the back page of this months Christian Times.



No greater evidence of this is visible then in the lack of news coverage the paper has given my campaign, from its failure to announce my candidacy and failing to contact me for statements on issues of importance to congressional representation.

Other evidence of this bias encounter and selective as well as negative reporting is also found in the two stories printed last week in the Press Enterprise.

"The stories were very damaging news stories about me and I was never contacted nor given the opportunity to respond to some very serious slanderous remarks made a by another congressional candidate against me." Later, my written response were also ignored and not published in the Press Enterprise.

While the Press Enterprise may enjoy the rights and freedoms I fought to preserve. This freedom is not unlimited. No man, foreign citizen or native born and no newspaper has the right to slander another man, nor do the laws of this nation and state allow Mr. Khoury and the Press Enterprise to do so.

Freedom of the press means the liberty to publish, but it does not mean liberty to publish slanderous and libelous statements when the person to whom they were directed to, is not given the opportunity to respond to those charges. However this is what the press Enterprise did to me last week (twice) and I am now demanding a written apology and a full opportunity to respond to those charges.

I wasn't given the opportunity to respond to those slanderous statements, on that story nor on the story that ran the day before where I was not contacted and where some very damaging information was printed that could have been clarified had I been contacted

I don't believe that I am being treated as equal by the Press Enterprise as the other candidates, of the 13 press release I have issues and functions where the press have been invited none of them have been covered nor have my scheduled speaking engagements published until I complained.

I believe this recks of very bias and now what appears to be prejudice reporting, and it is without excuse. When I ran for State Assembly the Press enterprise crucified me with some very negative press coverage on issues that were later found to be unfounded, they published a full story because I was receiving support from an outside conservative organization, yet here Mr. Khoury has done the same thing from a very selected group of individuals that enjoy dual citizenship with him in Lebanon but the press has not covered those issues, that I brought to the attention of the press on April 21. The connection of the Arab organizations supporting Mr. Khoury's is a matter of serious public importance, as those organizations certainly do not reflect support for American views and interest in the Middle East.

On this issue, when I would not state anything that could be construed as racist the Press Enterprise news reporter hung up on me. All this is without excuse from a newspaper trying to win national acclaim.

I am now, demanding a written apology for publishing such a slanderous statement about me, where I was not given the opportunity to respond and for publishing a story about a court settlement where again I was not given the opportunity to respond.

I am waiting for an immediate response, there was no reason for my demand of an apology from Mr. Khoury for his remarks made to me, not to have been published in the press as they are similar to the demand made from Arab-Americans to Mr. Calvert.

Sincerely

R.M. Cook Barela, congressional candidate, 43rd district

Cc: ATTORNEY ROBERT T. ANDERSEN, JR.

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FEC ID#: C00194225

Treasurer: JAMES JOSEPH ZOGBY

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WASHINGTON, DC 20006

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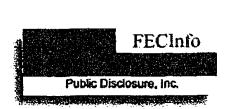
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EXHIBIT 12

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Source: Direct Submission

Organization: Arab American Institute Email: Jennifer Salan <isalan@arab-aai.org>

Title: "Call for Fairness & Inclusion" Denounces Arab-Baiting

Date: Thu, 15 Oct 1998 17:04:50 -0400

TEXT:

"Call for Fairness & Inclusion" Denounces Arab-Baiting

October 15, 1998, Washington DC - Disturbed by the use of anti-Arab and anti-Muslim tactics employed by some candidates and officials, a broad range of ethnic organizations, led by the Arab American Institute, has responded by launching "Call for Fairness and Inclusion", a national campaign to promote fair and inclusive political discourse. Currently, 28 national organizations have joined the campaign.

"Call for Fairness and Inclusion" was prompted by the recent experience of Arab American candidate Sarkis Joseph Khoury in California's 43rd congressional district. Khoury, a conservative Republican, had a strong primary campaign until his opponent, Rep. Ken Calvert, and his surrogates resorted to Arab baiting. During the final days of the campaign, Khoury's opponents not only questioned his loyalty to the United States because he is a naturalized citizen but also described Arab American support of Khoury as a "foreign attempt" to buy influence.

"Implying that Arab American involvement in the political process per se is sinister or something to be feared is a contemptible tactic. Such comments are unacceptable," AAI President Dr. James J. Zogby said.

This is not the first time that the Calvert Campaign has engaged in Arab-baiting. In 1994, the Calvert campaign produced a mailer depicting a caricature of Khoury on a flying carpet.

During a press briefing at the Arab American Institute, Zogby pointed out the dangerous implications if ethnic baiting is left unchallenged. "The deplorable race baiting of the 80s does not fit with the demographic makeup of America today. In California especially, where it is a majority-minority state, the potential for this kind of abuse is obvious. We cannot have a political system where ethnic Americans are excluded or treated as suspect for simply participating in the political process," stated Zogby.

Of the more than 30 national and local organizations who signed a "Statement of Concern" condemning ethnic baiting. The National Italian American Foundation's Elizabeth O'Connell joined AAI at the briefing today. "Ethnic stereotyping is not an acceptable part of the political discourse of this nation. It offends the sensibilities of every American who believes we have the right to be judged on our character, not stereotyped by our ethnicity. Unfortunately, Khoury is not alone; other candidates and politicians have been parodied, suspected, stereotyped and insulted based on their heritage," O'Connell stated.

Other participants pointed to the recent targeting of Asian Americans and called for the recognition of ethnic communities in the political process. "Unfortunately suspicion of 'foreign' loyalties is not a foreign concept to Asian Americans. 50 years after the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, Americans were questioned about their political activities in the aftermath of the 1996 elections on the sole basis of possessing an Asian sounding surname. It is time to reaffirm that immigrant communities are vibrant and vital parts of the American political landscape," stated Debasish Mishra of the India Abroad Center for Political Awareness.

A Call for Fairness and Inclusion

We are deeply troubled by the recent upsurge in anti-Arab and anti-Muslim tactics employed by some candidates and political leaders.

The recent case of Arab American candidate Sarkis Joseph Khoury in California exemplifies this disturbing trend. Khoury, a candidate for the Republican nomination in California's 43rd congressional district was in a tight primary race with Republican Congressman Ken Calvert. Calvert and his campaign surrogates made an issue of both Khoury's birth in Lebanon and the fact that his campaign had received extensive national Arab American support. Questions were raised about Khoury's loyalty to America and about whether there was a "foreign effort" to influence the congressional elections.

The Khoury case is a wake-up call to all those who seek to foster a more fair and inclusive political climate.

As participants in the civic and political life of our country, active in the politics of both parties, we urge political leaders and candidates, both Republican and Democratic, to take a firm stand against Arab-baiting, Islam-bashing and bigotry of any kind.

We call on our political leaders to disavow tactics of bigotry and division and to promote a more fair and inclusive political discourse.

Endorsing Organizations

National Organizations

American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee

American Federation of Ramallah, Palestine

American Friends Service Committee

American Muslim Council

American Task Force for Lebanon

Arab American Institute

Arab Women's Council

Armenian National Committee of America

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Muslim Public Affairs Council

National Arab American Business Association

National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium

National Association of Arab Americans

National Association of Filipino American Associations

National Center for Urban Ethnic Affairs

National Council of La Raza

National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

National Urban League

National Italian American Foundation

Organization of Chinese Americans

Palestinian American Congress

Slovak League of America

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Local Organizations

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Algerian American Association of Northern California

Arab American Community Center for Economic and Social Services

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Arab American Cultural and Com. Center, Houston

Arab American Educational Foundation, Houston

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May 1998

Dear BARELA FAMILY,

I am proud of the support the Latino leaders have given me in the attached letter.

These are the men and women who struggle with the problems of the Latino community on a daily basis. Their trust in me is deeply appreciated. I will continue to earn their trust on a daily basis.

They believe, as I do, that the Latino community can play a critical role in the blanket primary (open primary) scheduled for **June 2**, **1998**. As you know, you may vote for any candidate of your choice regardless of the party affiliation of the candidate.

THIS IS YOUR GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND TO REDEFINE POLITICS IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

A vote for Joe Khoury would mean that you will have a <u>VOICE</u> in Washington, D.C., not merely a vote. Please vote on June 2, 1998, at the polls or by absentee ballot. Anyway we can assist you, we would be delighted. We can easily provide you with an absentee ballot request form.

Thank you for your consideration and for your commitment to our country and our Constitution. Please call me or e-mail me with any questions or concerns.

Muchas gracias,

Joe Khoury
Republican Candidate, U.S. Congress
43rd Congressional District

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For further information on Joe Khoury or his position on the issues visit our website at: www.khoury1998.com, or E-mail us at: victory@khoury1998.com you may also call us at: (909) 787-1998, or fax us at: (909) 369-4988

Or visit us at: 3694 Sunnyside Drive, Riverside, CA 92506

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From: Your Friends in the Latino Community

May 1998

Estimados amigos y amigas de la comunidad Latina en el condado de Riverside!

This letter is about the future of our children and the standing of our community in the political arena in Riverside County.

It is imperative to recognize that the Latino community holds the decisive swing vote in the upcoming primary on June 2, 1998. This is so, if and only if, we decide to exercise our right to vote. Our numbers are large, but this is not reflected in our political power in this community and in the political representation that currently exists.

There is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd Congressional district. We believe, however, that there is a candidate who shares our values and our concerns, who understands the uniqueness and the pride of our culture, who will protect our rights, who will open the doors of opportunity to our children, and who has zero tolerance for racism and discrimination and all of their by-products. His name is **Joe Khoury**.

Joe learned Spanish, has traveled extensively in Latin America, and has a deep understanding and respect for our culture. He holds a doctorate from the prestigious Wharton School, is a full Professor of Finance at the University of California-Riverside, and has lectured all over the world to include the Monterey Institute in Monterey, Mexico. Dr. Khoury has extensive contacts in the Mexican-Lebanese community of Mexico which has produced a President for Mexico and many Governors and Ministers, as well as leading entrepreneurs in all fields of economic endeavors.

We trust that you are registered to vote. If not, please do so at your earliest convenience. We urge you to vote for Joe Khoury on June 2, 1998, for the following reasons:

- 1- He is strong on education reform and will fight for the rights of our children for excellence in education.
- 2- Joe will not support those bills and constitutional amendments that Mr. Calvert has supported. Mr. Calvert has voted to limit legal immigration to the United States, and is supporting an amendment that would deny citizenship to those children born in the United States to illegal immigrant parents.
- 3- Joe will fight for zero tolerance for racism, and maximum penalty for those who discriminate, and
- 4- Joe will work with our community to solve real problems with common sense solutions and a great sense of accountability.
- 5- He will be a friend when we need one.

We have known Dr. Khoury for a long time. We spoke with him personally at different occasions and we can attest to his qualities and his commitment to our values, and the dreams and the welfare of our children. Dr. Khoury is a Republican with a heart that can identify with the pains of the Latino community. He is a decisive and strong leader.

Please join us in this campaign to establish a more effective and concerned representation in Riverside County. We are counting on you.

Sincerely yours,

Signatufe Name

These are the names of the above signors.

John M. Sotelo, Ignacio Leon, Sr., Luz Maria Ayala, Andrés Luis Soto, Mario Perez, Anita M. Garcez (Franco), Glen Ayala, Mary Ayala, Javier Rosales, Jennie Rivera, Alfredo R. Figueroa, George Mesa, Richard Perez, Amador Corona, Tom C. Ruiz, Ralph V. Medina





Para Nuestros amigos de la Comunidad Hispana

Mayo del 1998

Estimados amigas y amigos de la Comunidad Hispana del Condado de Riverside!

La siguiente carta se trata del futuro de nuestros hijos y de el papel que de nuestra comunidad en el area política y social de el Condado de Riverside.

Es muy importante reconocer que la comunidad hispana tiene una fuerza decisiva en las votaciones del próximo 2 de Junio de 1998. Esta fuerza se mantendra, siempre y cuando nos decidamos a ejercer el derecho de votar. Nuestras comunidades son bastantes, pero estas no reflejan el poder y la representación política que existe actualmente en este condado.

No tenemos ningún representante Hispano en las votaciones para elegir al Congresista que representara a nuestro 43 Distrito Congresional. Sin embargo, creemos que existe un candidato que comparte nuestros valores, preocupaciones y que conoce el auténtico orgullo de nuestra cultura; y que además va a proteger nuestros derechos. Alguien que abrira las puertas de las oportunidades para nuestros hijos y que no tolera el racismo y la discriminación y los problemas que estos nos ocacionan. Su nombre es Joe Khoury.

Joe habla el español y ha viajado por toda Latinoamérica; el tiene una profunda conciencia y respeto por nuestra cultura. El obtuvo el título de Doctorado en la prestigiosa escuela de Wharton en la Universidad de Pennsylvania, es profesor de tiempo completo en la Universidad de California de Riverside y ha dado conferencias por todo el mundo, incluyendo el Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, en el Estado de Nuevo Léon, México.

El Dr. Khoury esta muy bien relacionado con la Comunidad México-Libanesa la cual dio fruto a uno de los mejores presidentes de México el Lic. Plutarco Elias Calles, así como a algunos otros buenos gobernadores y grandes empresarios del area económica.

Nosotros confiamos que tu estas registrado para votar. De no ser asi, registrate lo antes posible.

Te motivamos para que votes por Joe Khoury el próximo 2 de Junio de 1998, por las siguientes razones:

1. El apoya fuertemente a la reforma educativa y a la lucha para buscar la excelencia en la educación de nuestros hijos.

- 2. El señor Calvert a votado para limitar la inmigracion <u>Legal</u> a los Estados Unidos y ha apoyado las iniciatvas de ley que le negaran la ciudadania a los niños nacidos en los Estados Unidos y de padres ilegales.
 - Joe <u>no apoyara</u> estas leyes e iniciativas constitucionales propuestas y apoyadas por Calvert.
- 3. Joe no tolerara y luchara en contra del racismo; y aplicara sanciones y penas muy severas a cualquier persona que discrimine.
- 4. Joe trabajara con nuestra comunidad para resolver los verdaderos problemas con soluciones de sentido común y con un gran sensibilidad y responsabilidad.
- 5. Joe sera nuestro amigo siempre que lo necesitemos.

Nosotros conocemos al Dr. Khoury desde hace mucho tiempo. Hemos hablado con el personalmente y en varias ocaciones. Somos testigos de sus cualidades personales y del compromiso que tiene con nuestros sueños, valores, y con el bienestar de nuestros hijos. El **Dr. Khoury** es un Republicano y tiene un corazón que puede identificar los sufrimientos y las necesidades de la comunidad hispana. El es un líder fuerte y deciso.

Por favor, únete a nuestra campaña para establecer una representación más efectiva y conciente en el condado de Riverside. Contamos contigo.

These are the names of signors from the English letter.

John M. Sotelo, Ignacio Leon, Sr., Luz Maria Ayala, Andrés Luis Soto, Mario Perez, Anita M. Garcez (Franco), Glen Ayala, Mary Ayala, Javier Rosales, Jennie Rivera, Alfredo R. Figueroa, George Mesa, Richard Perez, Amador Corona, Tom C. Ruiz, Ralph V. Medina.



Cardinal Norberto Rivera Carrera exchanging views with Joe Khoury during Dr. Khoury's personal and religious visit to the Basilica of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Cardinal Carrera is a strong friend of the Mexican-Lebanese community.

COOK BARELA

for Congress 5974 Palencia drive Riverside, California 92509 909-361-1802



DEMAND FOR CLARIFICATION TO THE HISPANIC VOTERS OF THE 43RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

TO:

Edmund Rollins, Campaign Consultant

FROM:

Refujio M. "Cook" Barela, Congressional Candidate

DATE:

May 19, 1998

The recent letter that was sent out by your campaign to Hispanic voters of the 43rd congressional district is a blatant lie. It is also insulting, deceitful and degrading to my (Hispanic) race, which you seem bent on dividing and destroying. Your patronizing letter reveals deep prejudice reeking of hatred and contempt similar to operations you have been involved with in the past. Once again you have insulted a selected ethnic group for the political gains of the candidate who has paid your thirty pieces of silver.

You owe the Hispanic community of the 43rd congressional district an apology. You insinuated that we are ignorant and racist and would vote for a candidate simply because he "learned Spanish", supposedly has connections to policy makers of Mexico, or because of an individual's skin color or surname.

Stating that "there is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd congressional district" is a blatant lie. As you are well aware, I am bilingual, of Hispanic heritage and I am a candidate in the 43rd Congressional race. Since you are Mr. Khoury's principal campaign strategist, I cannot fathom that this letter would have gone out without your political fingerprints on it. It certainly reeks of similar games you have played in the past.

On April 30th I wrote a letter to Mr. Khoury (a copy of which you received) pointing out a racist, biased and certainly prejudiced attitude toward me as

an Hispanic American by Mr. Khoury's campaign and the PR firm Word Mill, which publishes the Conservative Voice newsletter. Word Mill refused to inform their Republican readership of my candidacy even though I am also a conservative Republican and fully qualified to run for Congress. Although they requested information about my campaign and myself, they refused to publish that information or allow me to advertise in their paper. Afterwards, I discovered that the Conservative Voice is under the employ of Mr. Khoury.

The Hispanic population of the 43rd congressional district and I, as an Hispanic candidate, deserve an apology and a letter of correction mailed out immediately on behalf of your candidate to all those who received that letter. We do not deserve this injustice. There is already a liar in the White House; we don't need another representing us in Congress.

R.M. "Cook" Barela

Response from The Latino Leaders that signed the letter endorsing Joe Khoury

John M. Sotelo 14728 Sedowick Ave Riverside 686-2699

Signed letter, didn't look at it much – I was thinking about Calvert, I was focused on getting Calvert out. I'M sorry. I didn't think, If I can help... I signed the letter about two weeks ago, had I known (a Hispanic was running), I would have said, there is one and insisted that he put in the letter that a Latino was running. Why hasn't the paper written that you are running. I didn't know. I feel terrible.

Ignacio Leon Sr. Not registered to Vote, no phone listing

Luz Maria Ayala, 943-1955 (Spanish speaking only, little English), listed in register of voters twice

Democrat, Armando Mexicano Tore, helps labor camp workers

I want to see that letter, I don't think, I don't believe I signed it, I would not have signed it. I support Hispanic we need to unite. I'm upset that he would do that, I didn't read any letter, but I guess I signed something. I want to look at that letter.

Andres Luis Soto - no phone fax only, no return on fax inquiry

Mario Perez - Not registered to Vote, no phone listing

Anita M Garcez (Franco) - Not registered to Vote, no phone listing

Glen Avala - 7495 El Sol Way, Riverside, no phone listed received phone no, from Jennie 689-9588

I have not seen the letter. He came here to my house I liked what he said. I didn't know. I never asked him about a Latino running. We never talked about it. I'll have to ask him about it.

Mary Ayala - wife of Glen never spoke to her

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Javier Rosales – 3757 Castle Reagh Pl 784-1193

Called day after the others-very Angry over the whole situation, hung up, won't talk about it, wife got on the line. Well! We're not going to do it then! She said and hung up!

Jennie Rivera – 6945 Lincoln Ave 275-5234

He came into our community and invited us a couple of times to his functions- he had a meeting and while they had the entertainment going on the letter was passed around by his secretary. I really didn't read the letter. I didn't have my glasses on. I saw where Glen and Mary had signed it, so I Signed it, I didn't know, I would like to see that letter. I didn't know.

Alfred R. Figueroa - Not registered to Vote, no phone listing

George Mesa - Not registered to Vote, no phone listing

Richard Perez -2161 Dana Street 735-9477

Well. I heard that there were only two contenders. I have read the newspapers and I never saw your name in the paper, why hasn't the paper written that you are running? I was told that there was a Latino that was going to run but that he dropped out. I think we might have even invited him once, but he never showed up.

No. I didn't know you were running. I didn't see the letter. I didn't read it at all, I want to get Calvert out. I didn't know.

Amador Corona - Attorney, 1334 Freedom drive - 351-1705

I didn't know, it was my understanding that there was no Latino running for congress, why haven't we seen your name in the papers? I read them and haven't seen your name there. I didn't know you were running, you got to get your name into the papers to let everyone know. Tom Ruiz from the Hacienda arranged the meeting, you ought to give him a call.

Tom C. Ruiz Hacienda El Rio Restaurant in Corona - 737-9440

No. I didn't know. I read the letter we signed it about two weeks ago. I didn't know there was a Latino running, why have you not come around, you should be a Democrat-

I don't know now, well yeah, the letter says there is no Latino running. I guess I wasn't told the truth. I wanted Calvert out, and I read and re-read the letter-I guess I should have found out on myself. I haven't been too much involved in politics, recently.

Ralph V. Medina - Not registered to Vote, no phone fisting

EXHIBIT 15

Rival raps Khoury's new flier

► The letter contended no Latino is running in the 43rd Congressional district. R.M. Barela, a Republican candidate, is Hispanic.

By Dion Nissenbaum The Press-Enterprise

Republican congressional candidate Joe Khoury is again coming under fire for one of his campaign mailers after sending out a letter to voters that erroneously claims no Hispanic is running in the race.

The letter, signed by a bipartisan group of 16 Hispanic residents, incorrectly states that "there is not a Latino running for Congress in the 43rd Congressional district." It urges readers to back Khoury in the June 2 primary.

That angered R. M. "Cook" Barela, an Hispanic who is running in the Republican primary with Khoury and incumbent Rep. Ken Calvert, R-Corona.

In a letter demanding an apology that was sent to Khoury campaign consultant Ed Rollins, Barela called the mailer "insulting, deceitful and degrading."

Khoury said the letter should have said

Please see FLIER, B-6

FLIER

Continued from B-1 there is no "viable" Latino in the race and he apologized for leaving out that word.

"There was no intent to obfuscate here in any way, shape or form," Khoury said. "The word 'viable' was missing and for that I apologize."

Khoury, a University of California, Riverside, finance professor, said he did not catch the omission until after the mailer had been sent to thousands of registered voters. Healso noted that Barela, a former Los Angeles police officer who formally announced his candidacy in February, did not file documents with the Federal Election Commission until mid-May officially forming his campaign.

But Barela said Khoury, in his letter, "willfully deceived the Hispanic population."

"Once again, the Hispanic race has been used and misinformed by people trying to use them," said Barela, who is Mexican-American.

Rollins, a nationally known consultant who once boasted of trying to depress the black vote in New Jersey's 1993 gubernatorial race and then retracted his claim, could not be reached for comment.

The dispute marks the second time Khoury has been criticized during the campaign for his mail-

"Some Republicans were upset last week when Khoury sent a flier that urged voters to reject Calvert because he was caught more than four years ago with a prostitute in his car.

Calvert, who was never arrested or charged with any crime, eventually apologized for the incident and has been re-elected twice since then.

This year, Khoury has launched an ambitious mail campaign that has included a glossy biographic mailer, an absentee ballot application and several form letters.

"They say that politics is dirty!" Khoury writes in one letter. "It is! But there are a lot of good people in politics trying to clean it up. 1 believe I am one of them."

The latest letter, dated May 1998 and written in Spanish and English, urges residents to back Khoury because he "shares our values and our concerns . . . understands the uniqueness and pride of our culture," and "has zero tolerance for racism and discrimination."

Included in the packet is a black and white photograph of Khoury standing with a Mexican cardinal in Mexico City.

The letter also states that Khoury would not support measures backed by Calvert that placed limits on legal immigration and would try to deny citizenship to children of illegal immigrants, a law that is currently guaranteed by Supreme Court rulings.

On other issues important to minority voters, Khoury has endorsed a June ballot measure that would virtually eliminate bilingual education in public schools and emphasized his opposition to affirmative action.

Some who signed the letter said they did not know and were not told by Khoury that Barela was another candidate in the race. Even so, they said they still support Khoury.

"We were under the impression that there was no Latino running," said Tom Ruiz, a Corona restaurant owner and Democrat who signed the letter.

Mary Ayala, 67, another Democrat, said Khoury has visited the Casa Blanca area of Riverside several times and that she did not know that Barela was a candidate for the same seat until this week.

"We didn't know this other person (Barela)," she said. "He never made contact, to my knowledge, in this community."

Khoury said he never mentioned Barela when he asked people to sign the letter over the last two months, but never tried to hide that fact either.

"All of these people are very sophisticated people," Knoury said. "If there is a slight error, that has nothing to do with the fact that these people support Joe Knoury."

EXHIBIT 16

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June 18, 1998

David L. Davis, Treasurer Khoury for Congress 16780 Lake Knoll Parkway Riverside, CA 92503

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Reference:

April Quarterly Report (1/1/98-3/31/98)

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is to inform you that as of June 17, 1998 the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated May 26, 1998. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lisa J. Simpson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely.

John D. Gibson

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Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Commission Regulations define the term "purpose" to mean a brief statement or description of why a disbursement was made. Examples are, but not limited to "dinner expense", "media", "salary", "polling", "travel", "party fees", "phone banks", "travel expenses", "travel expense reimbursement" and "catering costs". Unacceptable descriptions include "consulting", "advance", "election day expenses", "expenses", "other expenses", "expense reimbursement", "miscellaneous", "outside services", "get-out-the-vote" and "voter registration". (11 CFR §104.3(b)(4)) Please amend Schedule B of your report to correct the descriptions which do not meet the requirements of the Regulations.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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David Davis, Treasurer Khoury for Congress 16780 Lake Knoll Parkway Riverside, CA 92503

SEP 22 1998

Identification Number:

C00329391

Reference:

July Quarterly Report (5/14/98-6/30/98)

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your committee filed a 48 hour notice disclosing a "last minute" contribution from Joe Khoury on 5/29/98. This contribution does not appear on a Schedule A of this report. Please amend your report to include this contribution or provide an explanation of this apparent discrepancy.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Lisa J. Simpson Reports Analyst

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David L. Davis, Treasurer Khoury for Congress 16780 Lake Knoll Parkway Riverside, CA 92503

.RR 23 1998

Identification Number:

C00329391

Reference:

12 Day Pre-Primary Report (4/1/98-5/13/98)

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-On the Detailed Summary Page, Line 26 of the cash summary should equal the Column A total for Line 22. Please correct this discrepancy and file an amendment to your report.

-Column B figures for the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages should equal the sum of the Column B figures on your previous report and the Column A figures on this report. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B discrepancies for Lines 7(b), 7(c), 14 and 15 and any subsequent report(s) which may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B should reflect only the year-to-date totals for the calendar year 1998.

-You must attempt to obtain the occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year.

A committee may establish "best efforts" by providing the Commission with a description of its procedures for requesting the information. It is also in the best interests of the committee to provide a copy of its solicitation. In order to establish "best efforts", the committee must demonstrate that it makes at least one request for the information after the contribution is received. This one request must be made for any solicited or unsolicited

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contribution that exceeds the \$200 threshold and lacks the necessary information.

Each solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the information. If a committee receives a contribution that exceeds the \$200 threshold but tacks contributor information, the committee must, within 30 days, make an additional written or oral request for the information. Please note that a written request may not include an additional solicitation or material on any other subject, other than thanking the contributor for the donation and must include a pre-addressed return post card or envelope for the contributor's response. An oral request must be documented in writing. Committees must also disclose information that was not provided by the contributor, but is available in any of the committee's records for that current election cycle.

If a committee receives contributor information after the contributions have been reported, the committee shall either a) file with its next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before its next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i) and 11 CFR §104.7)

-On Schedule B of your report, you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the address and an adequate purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR §104.3(b)(4))

-Line 17, Column A, of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses \$63,433.32 in operating expenditures. The sum of all entries supporting that line is \$70,433.32. While it is permissible for the figure on Line 17, Column A, to exceed the sum of disbursement entries as a result of unitemized transactions, the sum of itemized disbursements may not exceed the figure provided on Line 17, Column A. Please amend your report to correct this discrepancy.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days

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of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20163

July 16, 1998

David L. Davis, Treasurer Khoury for Congress 16780 Lake Knoll Parkway Riverside, CA 92503

Identification Number:

C00329391

-Reference:

12 Day Pre-Primary Report (4/1/98-5/13/98)

Dear Mr. Davis:

On June 23, 1998, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your July 13, 1998, response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-Column B figures for the Summary Page should equal the sum of the Column B figures on your previous report and the Column A figures on this report. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B discrepancies for Line(s) 7(b), 7(c) and any subsequent report(s) which may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B should reflect only the year-to-date totals for the calendar year 1998.

The Commission is in receipt of a copy of the follow-up request sent to individual contributors who need to provide occupation and name of employer information. However, to satisfy the "best efforts" procedures, please provide information regarding how contributor information is requested with the initial solicitations for contributions. Please be advised that any contributor information received after the contributions are reported must be filed on a memo Schedule(s) A with your next report, or, an amended report(s) for the period in which the contributions were originally disclosed.

If this information is not received by the Commission within fifteen (15) days from

the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Lisa I. Simpson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

-Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

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October 15, 1998

David Davis, Treasurer Khoury for Congress 16780 Lake Knoll Parkway Riverside, CA 92503

Identification Number:

C00329391

Reference:

July Quarterly Report (5/14/98-6/30/98)

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is to inform you that as of October 14, 1998 the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated September 22, 1998. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lisa Simpson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL
ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT. AS AMENDED. YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED OF
THE DUE DATE FOR THIS REPORT.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU FILE THIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE FEDERAL ELECTION COXHISSION, 999 E STREET, N.W., HASHINGTON, ... D.C., 20463 FOR HOUSE CANDIDATES, OR THE SCORETARY OF THE SENATE, 232 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, MASHINGTON, D.C. 20510 FOR SENATE ... CANDIDATES. A COPY OF THIS REPORT SHOULD ALSO BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR EQUIVALENT STATE OFFICER OF YOUR STATE.

THE FAILURE TO FILE THIS REPORT HAY RESULT IN AN AUDIT OR THEGAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, PLEASE

CONTACT
LISA SIMPSON IN THE REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION ON OUR TOLL FREE
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EXHIBIT 17



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Lewis Lee Millett

World War II 1941-45, Korea 1950-51 Vietnam 1960-61, 1968-73



May 21, 1998

Dear Dr. Khoury,

I am proud to endorse your candidacy for election to the office of Congressman for the 43rd District.

Through my long military career, I learned the lesson well that freedom is not free and that we must diligently defend that freedom in every way possible. One of these ways is to elect a congressman who will defend our freedoms.

I am confident that you will bring to this office the leadership that has been missing for the past three terms. I know that you have a strong dedication to the defense of our country as well as the protection of veterans' rights.

You are a true patriot.

I am also confident that you will protect and improve healthcare and social security benefits for senior citizens. And, equally important, I know you will pledge to keep the commitment to our military personnel, both active and retired. We are tired of the broken promises, and we need someone to represent us who will not break his word to us.

I am deeply concerned that your place of birth (Lebanon), is being used against you by your opponent. That is clearly not the American way.

We should be reminded that our current Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, is foreign born, as was the former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs. In addition, Mr. Kissinger's commitment to the United States was never questioned because of the fact that he was born in Germany.

Your strong allegiance to the conservative values as well as your integrity, moral character, principles, vision and courage will serve us well in Congress.

My prayers are with you during this campaign.

Sincerely,

Col. Lewis Lee Millett Medal of Honor Recipient

World War II 1941-45, Korea 1950-51

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From the Desk of: Myrl C. Rupel, Ed.D.

May 22, 1998

Dear Friend,

Whether you are a young mother, a businessman or, like me, a 69 year old retired educator, something is happening in just a few days that is urgently important for us all.

I'm talking about the election for congress in our district and the fact that our Congressman has made retirement a lot less secure with his votes against social security.

It's always been important to me to know as much as possible about the candidates who ask us for our vote. I try, as you do, to research their positions on issues that matter to us and I also try to get to know them. I want to give my vote to a true American.

In the campaign for Congress, I have spent time reviewing what I can find out about the records of both of the Republican candidates. And I can tell you, our Congressman, Ken Calvert, has voted against seniors time and again. He voted to hurt our Social Security Trust, he voted against Veterans benefits and he voted to decrease Medicare benefits.

Here's what Mr. Calvert did: He voted to take \$500 Billion out of the social security trust fund and spend it on other government programs – then voted for a pay raise for all congressmen.

He voted to take away \$2.7 Billion in veterans' health benefits. What kind of man would deny veterans' healthcare? These men and women risked their lives for America, and now Ken Calvert chips away at their health benefits while giving himself a pay raise,

Mr. Calvert doesn't stop there, however. He raised taxes on all seniors, by increasing fees for Medicare, and decreasing the services Medicare provides. In addition, taxes on Social Security were raised.

And it gets worse! Congressman Calvert also voted for huge payments to wealthy corporations like tobacco companies and mega Midwest food producers like ADM.

Imagine going to your mailbox to collect your monthly check and it wasn't there, because your money was spent on other government programs or just given away to giant corporations.

What kind of man would take money out of social security, cut Veterans' healthcare, and erode Medicare and then spend that money on payments for wealthy corporations and a pay raise for himself?

Ken Calvert did just that. And now he wants us to reelect him to Congress. It's time for us to put an end to Ken Calvert's treatment of seniors.

Then I looked at Joe Khoury, Mr. Calvert's Republican opponent. And I can tell you there is a difference that I admire.

Joe is a friend of mine and is a true American. He's a trusted friend of seniors. I'm convinced we can count on Joe Khoury to fight for our best interests always. He is exactly the kind of man Riverside County's seniors deserve and need in Washington. He cares about us and he understands our issues.

Joe Khoury will do what's right for the seniors of Riverside and America. I know he will fight to protect our Social Security and Medicare.

And, as an educator myself, I appreciate what Joe is doing to help our younger generations to gain perspective and improve our culture.

Joe Khoury is an honorable man. He and his wife Joyce have been married 27 years, and have 4 beautiful daughters. He is a dedicated and loving husband and father, who wants what's best for the seniors and families of Riverside.

For senior citizens like you and me, Joe Khoury is exactly the kind of decent, honest and hardworking man we need representing us in Washington DC.

If you're like me, you really know how important it is to elect a Congressman who will fight to protect the promises our nation has made to its older citizens. That's a big part of the reason I support Joe Khoury for Congress.

I urge you to do the same.

Won't you please join me and vote to elect Joe Khoury for Congress on June 2nd.

Cordially,

Myll Chapter, Ed.D.
Myrl C. Rupel, Ed.D.

Retired Educator

P.S. Thank you for reading my letter. Our Congressman, Ken Calvert, voted to take \$500 Billion out of the social security trust fund and use it for other government programs – including support for big corporations and a pay raise for himself!

I hope you'll join me in voting for a change. Please help elect Joe Khoury. I know Joe will fight to protect social security and make sure America keeps its promises to our older citizens like you and me.

P.S.2 I was so impressed and moved by the letter of endorsement that Joe received from our national hero, Col. Lewis Lee Millett, that I decided to enclose it for your careful reading.

That's why I'm heartbroken over the unfair attacks Joe's folitical opponent has made. Joe's friorities in life are Joe's friorities in life are Ifod, family and country. and gen Calvert is just plain wrong to even begin to question Joe's total commitment to our nation and to our community. My husband is proud to be a father one want of the best husband and father any warman could wish for.

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EXHIBIT 18

January 20, 1999

To Whom It May Concern;

I, Kathy Walker, Chairman of the Riverside County Republican Party, did not support Dr. Joe Khoury for Congress, or any other office, in the 1998 elections. Nevertheless, Dr. Khoury has used my name on several occasions insinuating my alleged support for his candidacy. I have conveyed my concern to him regarding this matter and requested that he not use my name in any way in conjunction with his campaigns for public office.

Sincerely,

Kathy Walker

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EXHIBIT 19

Conservative broadcaster backs Barela

The Press-Enterprise

Republican congressional candidate R.M. "Cook" Barela picked up an endorsement this week when conservative Christian broadcaster Dr. James C. Dobson backed the former Los Angeles police officer's bid for public office.

Dobson, head of Focus on the Family in Colorado, said he does few endorsements but decided to back Barela because he is a family values candidate.

To aid Barela, Dobson taped a 30-second radio spot that the candidate is trying to place on local Christian radio stations.

Barela and UC Riverside finance professor Joe Khoury are trying to unseat Rep. Ken Calvert, R-Corona, on Tuesday, and win the Republican primary in the 43rd Congressional District.

In terms of endorsements, Calvert has lined up the largest base of support. The bipartisan list includes Republican Gov. Wilson Republican Attorney General Dan Lungren, state Sen. Ray Haynes, RRiverside, former Democratic state Sen. Robert Presley, Assemblyman Rod Pacheco, R-Riverside, and Rep. Mary Bono, R-Palm Springs.

Khoury has picked up backing from the California Republican Assembly, the Gun Owners of America, Paul Weyrich, president of the Free Congress Foundation in Washington, D.C., and the Inland Empire Conservative Coaltion.

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The News & Views The Liberal Medic Refuses To Publish

June, 1998

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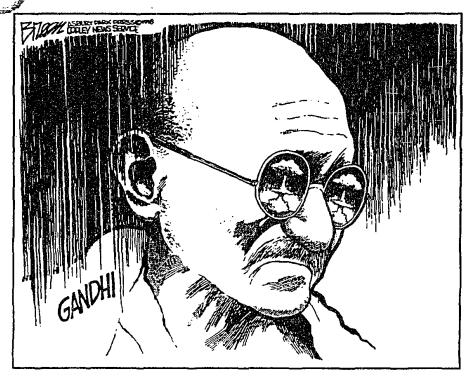
In Bernardino San County. Republican congressional candidate lliz Pirozzi won the support of Republican voters by over 40 percent ver four-time candidate Rob Guzman tho received 29 percent. In the 1996 rimary, Linda Wilde received 34 perent of the Republican vote and won unvincingly. Pirozzi will come up gainst liberal Democrat George rown in November.

Some political pundits believe a trong economy led many voters to refer experienced leaders over newomers in contested primaries, ecording to Capitol Resource istitute in Sacramento.

This may explain why Republican ave Stirling, chief deputy attorney eneral and second-in-command to angren, beat challenger Mike Capizzi vo-to-one for the GOP nomination for torney general. Stirling, who is ostly conservative but not very proie, will face liberal Democrat and forer State Senate leader Bill Lockyer nose well-financed campaign easily ished him past Lynn Schenk and rarles Calderon. In the Treasurer's ce, name recognition helped the forer Assembly Speaker Curt Pringle in the Republican nomination over oderate Republican Jan Goldsmith. ringle will next face Democrat Phil ngelides, who has been endorsed by oxer and Feinstein.

According to Capitol Resource stitute, when the dust finally seted, the election results looked better r Republicans than for Democrats. ie three-person duel for the emocrat nomination for governor, us the huge get-out-the-vote camlign to defeat Prop. 226, brought out "disproporticuately high number of unocratic voters," according to lumnist Dan Walters of the cramento Bee. "Given the lopsided

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Dobson spokesman regrets endorsement

Mark Maddox, spokesperson for James Dobson, told Conservative Voice that Dobson's endorsement of candidate Cook Barela in the 43rd Congressional race was "spontaneous" and in retrospect "the endorsement should not have been made.'

An article, "Conservative broad-caster backs Barela," appeared in The Press-Enterprise the Saturday before

election, causing immediate response from the conservative community, many of whom were astounded that Dobson had not endorsed Joe Khoury. "We received a lot of calls and faxes from your area," said Maddox. Many of those responses were from contributors to Focus on the Family who were withdrawing their monthly donations.

Please see Endorsement, p. 3

nion deceit kills Prop. 226

The most painful loss for pro-family citizens, according to CRI, was the defeat of Prop. 226, the paycheck protection initiative. The union bosses spent an estimated \$30-35 million to defeat Prop. 226, a 10-to-1 spending advantage that deceived 53.5 percent of the voters.

The last two weeks, the opposition spent nearly 84 million to spread mis-

Exit polls revealed that while 46.5% voted yes on Prop. 226, fully 68% said they believed unions should have to get permission before using workers' money for politics. Showing the impact of hundreds of thousands of pieces of mail from liberal nonprofit organizations, 40% of those voting no on Prop. 226 Hill they were concerned about charities being hurt

will be as equally applicable to the legislature as they are to everyone else. When this purs, it is most likely that the laws react the will and benefit of the majority. Conversely, when the judiciary is making the laws, no such check exists.

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Although endorsing as a private citizen and not as head of Focus on the Family, Dobson's endorsement of Barela was considered by many conservatives as "a major mistake," an error they were anxious to rectify.

Since the article appeared on the weekend before election, there was no way to make contact with Focus on the Family until Monday, and even then neither calls nor faxes brought any immediate response. It was not until the Saturday after election day that The Conservative Voice received a return call from Maddox.

Maddox willingly took the blame for the endorsement, noting that he was relieved that due to the lateness of the endorsement that it probably did not severely affect the election's outcome. Barela received only 6.9 percent of the total vote. Maddox did note, however, the potential harm that could have come from that endorsement in that it could have drawn votes from the conservative frontrunner, Joe Khoury.

Maddox admitted that they did not research the campaign or contact any of their conservative sources in California before making the endorsement for the 43rd Congressional District. Maddox, an intern who works as a volunteer policy assistant with Dobson, described Barela as "winsome," and stated that Dobson often likes to back "the underdog." However, he added that they did not know about Joe Khoury and that "in the future we need to do more research before making an endorsement."

Maddox added that he is being replaced in his current position by someone with "more experience"; he will be working with Dobson in a different capacity.

English Fluency

Commentary by State Sen. Ray Haynes

When one of my daughters comes home from school, there are any number of questions I might ask. "What did you learn today?" "Do you understand your math assignment?" "Do you like"



your teachers?" Until recently, however, I would never have thought to ask, "Does your teacher speak English?" My guess is that I'm not alone. Most of us assume that our children's teachers are required to have the minimal qualification of being able to understand and communicate in English. It is an expectation so basic that common sense dictates the answer.

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Assemblyman Jim Battin announced progress recently after the Assembly Public Safety and Revenue and Taxation Committees unanimously passed two bills designed to better the lives of California children. His Assembly Bill 1646 will protect school children by preventing paroled child molesters from being placed within half a mile of any elementary school. The other Battin bill, AB

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Ban on Internet 1

The Senate is expected to vote soon on a bill that targets the commercial distribution of pornography on the World Wide Web, the graphics portion of the Internet. Senator Dan Coats has sponsored S. 1482 which would require the commercial distributor to remove the free pornographic images or require a credit card, adult PIN number, or adult access code in order to view them.

According to a report from the

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EXHIBIT 20

Jewish World Review / August 31,1998 / 9 Elul, 5758

Jeff Jacoby
Tale of a blacklist:
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TO JOURNALISTS OF INTEGRITY, blacklist is the vilest word in the dictionary. Nothing corrupts a free press like conspiring to silence a man. And when the conspiracy results from arm-twisting by extremists, it is not only corrupting, but cowardly.

This is a story of blacklisting at National Public Radio.

On Aug. 20, NPR's popular "Talk of the Nation" dealt with breaking news: the US raids on Osama bin Laden's terror facilities in Sudan and Afghanistan. One of several guests interviewed by telephone was Steven Emerson, an investigative journalist and a leading expert on Islamic fundamentalist terrorism. Emerson has reported in detail on Islamic extremism, and has focused public attention on the network of terror cells and front groups operating in the United States. His 1994 television documentary "Jihad in America" won some of journalism's most coveted awards, and he has repeatedly been invited to testify before Congress on Islamic violence and US counterterrorist policy.

"It may be," the FBI's former assistant director of counterterrorism has written, "that Mr. Emerson is actually better informed in some areas than the responsible agencies of government."

In short, Emerson was an ideal guest for NPR's show, and his brief on-air conversation with host Melinda Penkava was unobjectionable.

Unobjectionable, that is, to anyone except the Islamic terrorists and their supporters whom Emerson has done so much to expose. In recent years, he has been the target of a brutal campaign of vilification and defamation. The Council on American Islamic Relations -- a radical group that warmly defends Hamas and other terror outfits -- has led the way in demonizing Emerson as an anti-Arab racist.

CAIR's world view is simple: Criticism of anything linked to even the most fanatic wings of Islam is bigotry. (For example, it labeled a "hate crime" the arrest of Sheik Omar Abdul Rahman, ringleader of the World Trade Center bombing.) Its approach to press relations is also simple: Deluge media outlets with protests, invective, and cries of "racism!" when they publish or broadcast stories unflattering to Islamic extremists.

Because Emerson has shed so much light on the operations of these zealots, his appearance drives them into a particular froth. Right after his NPR interview, CAIR urged its adherents to go on the attack.

One of the many attackers was Ali Abunimah, a leader of the Chicago-based Arab American Action Network. Judging by its web site, the AAAN's chief project is condemning "the genocidal policies of the US government toward the people of Iraq." But Abunimah has a pet project of his own: Lobbying NPR to blacklist Steven Emerson.

In June, he e-mailed NPR's news division to say he was "horrified" that Emerson had been used in a story on Mohammad Salah, a reputed Hamas fund-raiser. Emerson is an anti-Arab bigot, he said -- witness his comment in April 1995 that the Oklahoma City bombing bore ``a Middle Eastern trait." It was intolerable to "have to listen to such a blatant, sickening racist." Abunimah demanded that NPR "not allow this to happen to Arabs ... again."

He pressed his vendetta up and down the NPR food chain: To the network's national news editor, Michael Fields; to the general manager of the affiliate that had produced the story; to Jackie Northam, who had reported it; to Loren Jenkins, NPR's foreign editor. The network caved. Fields assured him that quoting Emerson had been a "mistake" and that "it won't happen again" -- i.e., that Emerson would be blacklisted.

 But on Aug. 20, Emerson appeared on "Talk of the Nation." Livid, Abunimah fired an e-mail to Ellen Silva, TOTN's producer.

"I am shocked and disappointed," he wrote, "that TOTN had Steven Emerson on its call-in show today as a guest. Mr. Emerson is a well-documented anti-Arab, anti-Muslim racist. When he was last on NPR on June 24, in a report by Jackie Northam, there was a public outcry.... This should not have happened again.... Last time. I accepted the explanation that it had been an innocent error. But how many errors can be innocent? This is a very serious matter and will require an appropriate response."

Abjectly, NPR caved again. The following exchange ensued.

From: Ellen Silva

Thank you for your letter.

Our executive producer was in charge of that decision - not me. I take your point and extend an apology to you from the staff of TOTN.

Please take care,

Ellen

From: Ali Abunimah:

Thank you for your response. Who is the executive producer of TOTN? Have you forwarded my concerns to him or her? Other than an apology, which we received previously, what assurance can I have that this won't happen again?

From: Ellen Silva

I have forwarded your concerns to him. You have my promise he won't be used again.

It is NPR policy.

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NPR's obsequious surrender speaks for itself. That an expert who testifies before Congress would be barred from the airwaves of the radio network Congress subsidizes is too scandalous to need elaboration.

It remains to add only that, late last week, I learned of the Abunimah-Silva correspondence and asked NPR to explain its blacklist policy.

Silva retracted everything. "I was wrong to use the word 'policy," she said. "I misspoke. We don't have a policy on Steven Emerson." I asked several times why NPR was repudiating its words. Silva declined to answer.

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EXHIBIT 21

Bigotry against Arab American candidate

by James J Zogby (The Daily Star, June 23, 1998)

Although Arab Americans have made real political progress in the United States in the past two decades, the community remains disturbingly vulnerable to attacks of bigotry.

This fact was brought home by the war waged against the congressional campaign of Sarkis Joseph Khoury, who was an ideal candidate and ran an extraordinary campaign in the Republican primary in California's 43rd congressional district. This area is quite conservative in both politics and religion. It is inland from Los Angeles, with the city of Riverside as its population centre.

Since 1992 the district has been represented in congress by Ken Calvert, a Republican, Khoury is married and a father of four daughters. A native of Lebanon, Khoury is a classic American success story. He holds a PhD in international finance from the prestigious Wharton School. For a number of years he has been a professor at the University of California in Riverside. He is the author of 20 books and is widely known and respected in his field.

Khoury ran for congress twice before, in 1992 and 1994, losing on both occasions by an extremely narrow margin. In 1994 he lost to Calvert by only a few hundred votes. This time, in an effort to run the most effective campaign possible. Khoury began early, raising money and seeking professional campaign assistance.

With more than \$400,000 in his campaign war chest and an unbeatable political team, made up of two of the Republican party's premier political strategists. Ed Goas and Ed Rollins. Khoury had everything going for him. He began his campaign to unseat the incumbent by spelling out the principle differences between his candidacy and that of Calvert.

In addition to the issues he raised. Khoury also reminded voters of his opponent's past outrageous behaviour. In 1994, Calvert was caught by the police engaged in a sex act with a prostitute in an automobile.

Calvert's team struck back with a vengeance. Using a multi-pronged approach, their campaign against Khoury focussed both directly and indirectly on his ethnicity.

Early in the campaign, for example, Calvert's manager publicly denounced Khoury for raising large amounts of campaign contributions from Arab American donors. When a number of national Arab American leaders demanded an apology for this bigotry. Calvert excused his campaign manager's behaviour, saying that he had only sought to point out that Khoury's support was coming from outside the district.

This tactic was reminiscent of Calvert's 1994 attack on Khoury in the form of a mail shot that included a cartoon of Khoury flying into the congressional district on a "flying carpet". As in 1994, the tactic worked.

What Calvert sought to establish in the minds of those among his constituents who were fundamentalist and chauvinistic was that both Khoury and his supporters were "foreign".

To pound this theme home. Calvert's campaign sent a leaflet to all the households in the district, claiming that their investigation of Khoury's publicly filed list of campaign contributors "revealed an attempt to buy Riverside's seat in the US congress". The long list of names printed in the mailing included only the Arabic-sounding names who had sent donations to the Khoury campaign.

But Calvert's use of bigotry didn't stop there. A letter distributed by a Calvert supporter charged that Khoury "must seek foreign campaign contributions because he cannot win the support of his own people in his own home town".

Further developing this line of attack was another letter, sent by Calvert's Jewish supporters in the 43rd district. The document began by describing Calvert as "one of Israel's most loyal supporters in the US house of representatives". (Remember this word "loval", it will come up again in a very interesting way.)

But the most lethal blow delivered in the letter is its description of Calvert as "a native of our country, county and district". This echoed a phrase used frequently by Calvert himself, who often reminded voters that "unlike my opponent. I was born and raised in Riverside City".

Now it is not unusual for a candidate to charge that he has more familiarity with an area than his opponent, especially if the opponent has only recently moved into the district. But Khoury has been a long-time resident of the area. Calvert's point, and that of his supporters, however, was not the issue of residency and familiarity, it was that Khoury was born in Lebanon and is not a "native of our country". This line of attack was also echoed by other supporters of Calvert. One Republican leader questioned whether Khoury had "dual citizenship" and whether his loyalty was to the United States or to Lebanon.

"Frankly." this Calvert supporter stated. "I would prefer my congressman to pledge allegiance to America only." (Apparently this issue of loyalty to America was not a concern of Calvert's Jewish supporters who had outright boasted that Calvert was "one of the most loyal supporters of Israel" in congress!)

"The Arab campaign connection" and questions of Khoury's foreign birth and loyalty were the bases of the Calvert campaign's attack on Sarkis Khoury. The mail shot sent by that campaign was augmented by an insidious telephone campaign that repeatedly called Republican voters in the 43rd district asking questions like: "Would it bother you more if your congressman were caught with a prostitute or if he were receiving Arab money?" Another such "phone survey" deliberately mispronounced Khoury's name in order to accent its foreignness.

In the end, Calvert's effort was successful, Bigotry won and Khoury was defeated. Even in victory, Calvert could not help but boast on TV that his campaign won with "all-American dollars," as if to suggest that Khoury's Arab American contributors were less than American.

By seeking to taint Arab American contributors as foreign and to question Khoury's loyalty because he is an immigrant. Calvert threatens the civil rights of Arab Americans in particular, and immigrants in general.

The targetting of Arab American donors to campaigns is an old story, dating back to the 1980s. To see it resurface in the late 1990s is ominous. It is clear that this tactic could not be used in many other areas of the United States? where Arab Americans are more numerous and have become more politically recognised. But if bigotry is allowed to win anywhere, it will ultimately effect the entire community and country.

The fact that Khoury's birth in Lebanon was used against him is especially galling. What, in effect, Calvert's campaign has done is most un-American. They have raised issues and themes that undercut the very principles on which the United States was founded.

If there is any silver lining, however, in Khoury's defeat, it is the resolve shown by the candidate and Arab Americans nation-wide that there must be a firm response to this bigotry.

Arab Americans realise that if such attacks go unchallenged and unpunished, they will only grow. They must be fought and defeated.

Dr James J Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute, wrote this article for The Daily Star

Clinton Praises Arab Loyalist Who Accused Shimon Peres of "State Terrorism"

May 8, 1998

NEW YORK- Arab lobbyist James Zogby, whom President Clinton enthusiastically praised this week has a long record of anti-Israel activity, and was director of a group that gave "political support to suspected PLO terrorists," according to the Anti-Defamation League. The Zionist Organization of America called Clinton's praise of Zogby "another indication of the Clinton administration's increasing pro-Arab tilt."

Speaking at a conference of Zogby's Arab American Institute in Washington on May 7, 1998, Clinton said: "I want to say a special word of appreciation to Jim for his advice over the years. He is a remarkable voice for calm and clarity, no matter how heated the issues. But I can tell you, he is one of the most forceful, intense and brutally honest people who ever come to the White House to see me. And you should be proud of that."

James Zogby's record of anti-Israel activity includes:

- Accusing Shimon Peres of "State Terrorism"
 When the Israeli government of Shimon Peres struck back at Hezbollah terrorists in southern Lebanon in 1996. Zogby accused Israel of "state sponsored terrorism." (Forward, Dec. 12, 1997)
- Denouncing Clinton's Anti-Terror Actions
 Zogby denounced President Clinton's 1995 executive order banning donations to terrorist groups as comparable to "some of the worst abuses of the McCarthy era." (Washington Post, March 27, 1995)

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- Praising Arab Terrorism as "Armed Resistance"
 Zogby has praised the Hezbollah terrorists in southern Lebanon as "the Lebanese armed resistance."
 (Forward, December 12, 1997)
- Defending Arab Mob Violence
 In a letter to Members of Congress on April 9, 1997, Zogby, referring to the Arab mobs who had been attacking Israelis with rocks and firebombs, wrote, "It is important to distinguish terrorism from the daily demonstrations that have erupted in the West Bank...Palestinians have acted out of a loss of hope..."
- Defending Convicted Arab Terrorists
 According to the Anti-Defamation League, the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, under Zogby's leadership as executive director during the 1980s, provided "political support to suspected PLO terrorists residing in the U.S." (Pro-Arab Propaganda in America: Vehicles and Voices, published by the ADL, p.3). To this day, Zogby continues to publicly defend Ziad Abu Eain, an Arab terrorist convicted of a 1979 bombing in which two Israelis were murdered. (Washington Jewish Week, Sept. 28, 1995)
- Urging the Arabs to Boycott Israel
 Zogby wrote in 1997: "It might even be time for the Arab League to reinvigortate its stand on the boycott"
 (Jordan Times. May 21, 1997) and urged the Arab states to boycott the U.S.-sponsored Mideast economic conference in Doha. (Jordan Times, November 12, 1997)
- Inciting Americans Against Israel
 Zogby led a vigorous lobbying effort in 1993 to prevent the State of Ohio from purchasing Israel Bonds.
 His argument to the citizens of Ohio was that they should not "be investing in a foreign country—and creating jobs in that country—when there's a need for investment here" (Columbus Dispatch, May 9, 1993).
- Impugning the Loyalties of American Jewry
 Henry Siegman, then executive director of the American Jewish Congress, wrote that Zogby has
 "consistently impugned the loyalty of American Jews by suggesting that they put the interest of Israel
 ahead of the interests of the United States, and that their lobbying activities in support of Israel subvert the
 democratic process. Such accusations are the standard fare of anti-Semitism." (Village Voice, January 29,
 1991)
- Accusing Israel of "Nazism" and "Apartheid"
 In 1982, the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, with Zogby as executive director, called the Israelis "Nazis" and called Israel's anti-terror action in southern Lebanon "a Holocaust." (Pro-Arab Propaganda in America: Vehicles and Voices, published by the ADL, p.5).
 In 1997, Zogby wrote: "Long after the former South African system of apartheid and its repugnant system of Bantustans has been rejected as inhumane, the effort to implement a similar system by Israel must also be rejected." (Jordan Times, December 17, 1997)

Arab Americans Run for Office Around The Nation

On Tuesday. November 3, millions of Americans will go to the polls to elect their local, state and national representatives Dozens of Arab American candidates are running for spots all over the nation. In order to aid their efforts, such organizations as the Arab American Institute (AAI) and the Arab American Leadership PAC (AALPAC) have been working to educate voters about the candidates and to raise funds to support qualified candidates in their respective races. On October 27, Al-Hewar Center in Vienna, Virginia, hosted a discussion Dr. James Zogby, President of AAI, who talked about the role of Arab Americans in the upcoming elections.

Congressional members seeking re-election include Representatives John Elias Baldacci [D-ME]. Pat Danner [D-MO]. Chris John [D-LA]. Ray LaHood [R-IL]. Nick Rahall [D-WV], and John E. Sununu [D-NH]. First-time congressional candidates include Phillip J. Maloof, the Democratic candidate for New Mexico's first congressional district, and Leslie A. Touma, the Republican candidate for Michigan's 12th district.

Jeanne Shaheen, a Democrat, is seeking reelection for a second term as the governor of New Hampshire. Dozens of Arab Americans are also running in local races for state legislatures, judgeships and mayoral and city council spots. As part of its campaign to "get the word out" the AAI has released its "Vote '98 Congressional Score Card" which lists the voting records of all members of Congress on issues significant to Arab Americans on domestic and foreign matters. The score card helps to evaluate candidates based on their voting patterns with respect to these issues. The score card is also important because it helps the Arab and Muslim communities find those candidates who vote consistently in favor of their important issues. It also shows that not all Arab American members of Congress necessarily vote in favor of those issues.

In the Washington. D.C. area. AALPAC hosted a reception on September 10 to honor the members of Congress who have earned the respect and support of the Arab community, including the Arab American congressional delegation. Guests of honor included Representatives David E. Bonior, John Conyers, Nick Rahall, Dale Kildee, James Moran. Pat Danner, John Baldacci, Tom Davis III, Ray LaHood, Jesse Jackson Jr., Chris John, Ciro Rodriguez and John E. Sununu.

AAI and several other Arab American organizations also hosted a Virginia Candidates Night Reception on September 20, featuring congressional candidates Rep. James P. Moran and Mrs. Demaris Miller of the 8th District and Cornell Brooks. Esq of the 10th District (who is challenging Rep. Frank Wolf), and Rep. Tom Davis III of the 11th District. The forum was part of AAI's Vote '98 program, a national, non-partisan campaign to register voters, educate Arab Americans about campaign issues, increase political activism in the community and get people out to the polls.

Vote '98 was kicked off at AAI's national leadership conference which included addresses by President Clinton, more than 30 Congressional leaders and numerous candidates for public office.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) hosted "The Muslims of America and the 1998 Elections" on September 28. The conference featured presenters Sulayman Nyang, professor of African Studies at Howard University and Atif Harden, Executive Director of the American Muslim Council.

At this point, the outcome of the elections are anybody's guess. In his September 28, 1998 Washington Watch, Dr. Zogby wrote:

"Most analysts predict that the 1998 elections will feature the lowest voter turnout in decades. This is also a factor in both parties' political strategies. Since 1974, the non-presidential year voter turnout has been less than 40 percent. This year the numbers may be as low as 33 percent. There are two reasons for this. On the one hand voters are somewhat complacent. The economy is good, crime is low and the national mood is at a three decade high. Complacent voters don't vote.

"At the same time, other voters are so disillusioned and disgusted by the political mess in Washington that they have 'tuned out' of politics...

"Between now and November anything can happen. Republicans can over-play their hand, the President and Democrats can be hurt by new disclosures, local or national media can decide to focus on issues and create a debate on the direction of the country, or any number of things can happen on the local level to influence the outcome of a number of individual races..."

Disturbed by a recent upsurge in anti-Arab and anti-Muslim tactics employed by some candidates and officials, a broad range of ethnic organizations has responded by launching "Call for Fairness and Inclusion." a national campaign to promote fair and inclusive political discourse. Currently, 28 national ethnic organizations have joined the campaign, which was prompted by the recent experience of Arab American candidate Sarkis Joseph Khoury in

California's 43rd congressional district. Khoury, a conservative Republican, had a strong primary campaign until his opponent. Rep. Ken Calvert and his surrogates resorted to Arab baiting. During the final days of the campaign. Khoury's opponents not only questioned his loyalty to the United States because he is a naturalized citizen but also described Arab American support of Khoury as a "foreign attempt" to buy influence.

Zogby and ADC Dr. Hala Maksoud joined other ethnic leaders on October 14 to launch "Call for Fairness and Inclusion" and to release a "Statement of Concern" which has been endorsed by more than 30 organizations. •

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EXHIBIT 22

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Pro-terror groups' cry of discrimination rings hollow

IN RECENT YEARS, a new group has been added to the pantheon of victims in modern culture. Arab-Americans have organized, and in the best tradition of American democracy have cried out against what they claim is systematic discrimination.



Like many other minority groups, Arab-Americans have a legitimate beef. People who look, sound and talk different from the majority have always faced an uphill fight in America. Though anti-Arab discrimination was never as institutionalized as anti-black hatred, as ingrained in American history as anti-Hispanic sentiment or as rooted in the culture of western

civilization as Jew-hatred, it exists nonetheless in our society and popular culture. Understandably, Arab-Americans are outraged when depictions of Arabs in the movies and on television are limited to characters who are bloodthirsty terrorists or quaint exotics. The millions of ordinary peace-loving and hard working American citizens who are Muslim or of Arab descent deserve and have a right to expect — like everyone else - to be treated with respect.

To that end, Arab-Americans have followed the pattern of American Jews and established groups dedicated to fighting discrimination and defamation of Arabs and Muslims. In that effort, they deserve the support of American Jews. Indeed, their efforts have gained a lot of press lately with their protests against a forthcoming feature film entitled, "The Siege." The Edward Zwick production stars Denzel Washington and Bruce Willis in a story about Arab terrorism in the U.S. The producers went all out to avoid stereotypes — even making one of the good guy policemen an Arab-American. But that wasn't enough for the Arab groups, who are still unhappy about the movie.

But the story isn't quite that simple. The problem is, the claim of discrimination falls apart when it demands that depictions of terrorism never be associated with Arabs or Muslims. The problem with their protests is that Arab and Islamic terrorism isn't a stereotype or a racist fabrication. While it ought not to tar every Arab or Muslim, it is still real.

Unfortunately, in their effort to halt discrimination, these same groups have chosen not to disassociate themselves from the excesses of Islamic fundamentalism and Arab nationalism in the Middle East. Indeed, some of these same Arab and Muslim anti-defamation groups such as the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (AAADC), have become the most important defenders of Hamas and Islamic Jihad in the United States. Even worse, they

have taken on the task of smearing anyone who speaks out against these groups or investigates their activities.

The main target of their ire has been investigative journalist Steven Emerson. Emerson has earned this enmity with ground-breaking work on the network of supporters of Arab terror groups operating in the United States. His documentary film "Jihad in America" was shown on public television and won many awards. His writing regularly appears in leading newspapers such as the Wall Street Journal and he has testified as an expert on the topic of terror support groups before Congress.

All this has made him a marked man. But rather than argue the merits of the cause of the bloodthirsty terror groups like Hamas whose actions they rationalize, CAIR and others have gone on the offensive smearing Emerson as a racist.

Emerson's reporting has revealed the hate and support for terror inside their groups that goes on in a routine manner inside CAIR. But, as far as CAIR is concerned, the mere fact that Emerson has told the truth about them and other Hamas supporters makes him dangerous. And like all political extremists they believe those who disagree with them must be destroyed.

Given the fact that Emerson's work has been confirmed by law enforcement agencies who have started to crack down on Hamas fundraising, one would think that radicals like CAIR would have no more influence than the nuts who make up the far-right militias.

But that is to underestimate them.

Leading Arab- Americans such as Washington Democratic party insider James Zogby, a man who has entry to the White House and the highest levels of political leadership in the country, have taken up their drumbeat, repeatedly blasting the truth-telling Emerson.

But the latest and most egregious instance of these "anti-discrimination" activities is their apparently successful effort to persuade National Public Radio to ban Emerson from its airwaves.

After a campaign by the Arab-American Action Network (AAAN), NPR's national news editor Michael Fields apparently promised that Emerson would not appear on the publicly funded radio network again. But after Emerson was interviewed last month on NPR's "Talk of the Nation" program, AAAN leader Ali Abunimah demanded again that Emerson be banned.

Astonishingly, the program's producer Ellen Silva apologized and promised in an e-mail that Emerson "won't be used again. It is NPR policy."

When Boston Globe and JWR columnist Jeff Jacoby inquired about this statement. Silva backed off and claimed there was no NPR policy on Emerson. But if not, why had she said in writing that there was such a policy? Jacoby rightly questioned why NPR, which is funded by U.S. taxpayer dollars approved by Congress, had banned a man whom Congress has used as an expert on the topic.

But that's where the anti-Arab discrimination crowd came in again. Following Jacoby's Aug. 31 column in the *Globe* and on JWR, the Council of American-Islamic Relations fired off a press release accusing — you guessed it — Jacoby of being an anti-Arab racist. Citing Jacoby's defense of the Jewish claim to Jerusalem as well as his writing about Yasser Arafat's references to the Prophet Muhammad's broken treaty with the

 Jewish tribes of Arabia (a troubling precedent for those who place their faith in Oslo), CAIR falsely branded Jacoby as someone who had defamed Islam. But they didn't stop with that. They had the audacity to claim that Jacoby's column about what these same Arab groups were doing to Steve Emerson was "fabricated" and called for his firing. After the demise of columnists Patricia Smith and Mike Barnicle for fabrications, that's a fighting word at the Boston Globe. Will the Globe's editors try to assuage the claims of anti- Arab bigotry by "investigating" Jacoby? Anything is possible.

The unpleasant fact in this sordid story is that the people crying discrimination and bigotry are themselves the haters. They are the front men for groups like Hamas whose main purpose is to kill and maim as many Jews and Americans as possible and to destroy the state of Israel. Their enemy isn't discrimination against Arabs, but the truth that men like Emerson and Jacoby are risking their careers to bring out into the light. American Jews have an obligation to rise to their defense with at least as much fervor as Arab and Muslim groups have displayed in trying to blacklist them. NPR and the Boston Globe need to be told that we will not tolerate their giving in to front groups for Hamas.

If Emerson and Jacoby are effectively silenced, then no one is safe.

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Press Release

The United States Committee for a Free Lebanon blasts the current Arab American leadership, calls for sponsoring a "Study Report" on Lebanon and invites the new generation of Lebanese Americans to speak out.

New York-September 14, 1998- The United States Committee for a Free Lebanon (USCFL), a coalition of Americans established for the purpose of educating the public as to Lebanon's strategic and moral significance as an ally of the United States and an outpost of Western values in the Middle East issued today a press-release, blasting the current Arab American leadership, calling for sponsoring a "Study Report" on Lebanon and inviting the new generation of Lebanese Americans to speak out.

While a number of prominent Lebanese American public figures such as secretary of health and human services Donna Shalala; former senate majority leader in Congress George Mitchell, consumer advocate Ralph Nader and Congressmen Abraham, Lahood, Rahall and Sunumu Jr are the pride of many sons and daughters of Lebanese nationals, it is sad to note that the majority of Lebanese American activists today have miserably failed in promoting a free, independent and sovereign Lebanon said Mr. Ziad Abdelnour, President of the USCFL, to a group of US foreign policy experts at a private reception held yesterday in New York City.

Take for example Arab American activists James Zogby from the Arab American Institute ,Abdulrahman Alamoudi from the American Muslim Council, Peter Tanous & Nijad Fares from the American Task Force for Lebanon and Khalil Jahshan from the National Association of Arab Americans . These individuals are nothing but "hired guns" who go for the highest "Arab bidder" as described by Kenneth R. Timmerman in the American Spectator issue of November 1997 entitled: "Al Gore's Arab Moneymen "and numerous other articles on the subject matter in the US media

First, these pseudo "lobbyists" have no right of high jacking the heritage of the Lebanese Americans and claim Arab victories. Most of the Arab American officials in the US Government today at all levels are the descendants of Lebanese only. They have nothing to do with Islam or the Arab world. Second, these "Arab promoters" have no right to claim that they represent over 3 million Lebanese Americans in this country when it is a well known fact that they don't even represent 1,000 individuals all combined. Third, although the aforementioned gentlemen keep preaching about working toward a common "Arab agenda" to liberate Lebanon from the "imperialists and the Zionists", we, at the United States Committee for a Free Lebanon, do not believe in a common Arab agenda because we don't see it necessarily playing in Lebanon's hand unless one considers Lebanon as part of Syria; which I believe most Lebanese along with Lebanese Americans still fiercely reject.

We would like to call on the new generation of Lebanese American activists to join forces with us in sponsoring the First "Study Report" of its kind on Lebanon. The Lebanon's case cannot anymore wait. Creating a US-Lebanon file separate from the US-Syria one is an absolute must for the freedom, independence and sovereignty of Lebanon.

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